

DETECTING HORMONALLY ACTIVE COMPOUNDS

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to the fields of molecular genetics, endocrinology, and
toxicology. More particularly, the invention relates to compositions and methods for
detecting androgenic/estrogenic agents in the environment and screening candidate
20 agents for androgenic/estrogenic activity.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The last decade saw the emergence of the field of endocrine disruption after it was
discovered that a variety of anthropogenic chemicals act as weak estrogens. Through
their interaction with estrogen receptors (ERs), these endocrine-disrupting compounds
25 (EDCs) can alter normal expression of gene products and proteins at critical times during
development and reproduction. Environmental contamination with EDCs is therefore a
serious concern.

In an effort to detect EDCs in environmental samples, a number of methods have
been developed including both *in vitro* and *in vivo* assays. Available *in vitro* assays
30 include those based on hormone receptor-ligand binding, cell proliferation, and reporter
gene expression. Although these are relatively inexpensive and amenable to high

throughput applications, they provide only limited information about how EDCs affect animals in the environment (see, e.g., Zacharewski T. Environ. Sci. Technol. 31:600-623, 1997; Baker V.A. Toxicol *In vitro* 15:413-419, 2001). *In vivo* exposure assays, on the other hand, provide useful information about whole animal responses to EDCs, but can be more cumbersome and expensive than *in vitro* assays. Moreover, such assays do not provide information about the molecular mechanisms underlying EDC-mediated changes in the animals.

SUMMARY

The invention is based on the discovery of a large number of sheepshead minnow (SHM) and largemouth bass (LMB) genes that are up-regulated or down-regulated in tissues that have been exposed to an estrogenic or androgenic agent. Thus, whether an environmental sample contains an estrogenic or androgenic agent can be determined by examining a fish (or biological sample obtained from the fish) that was exposed to the sample (e.g., a lake or river) for modulation of expression of these genes. A finding that these genes were modulated in the test fish compared to a control fish not exposed to the sample (or an estrogenic or androgenic agent) indicates that the sample contains an estrogenic or androgenic agent. It was also discovered that different classes of estrogenic or androgenic agents modulated expression of the genes in different patterns depending on the class or mechanism of action of the estrogenic or androgenic agent. Thus, the invention can be used to discern that a particular type of estrogenic or androgenic agent is present in the sample. Based on these discoveries, a screening assay to characterize an unknown molecule's hormonal (e.g., estrogenic or androgenic) activity was developed wherein a fish, fish tissue or fish cell is exposed to a test substance and the effect of the substance on gene expression is compared to known patterns of gene up- or down-regulation. On this basis, the agent can be classified as estrogenic or androgenic and is thus determined to be hormonally active.

Accordingly, the invention features a method for detecting the presence of an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity in a sample (e.g., a water sample). The method includes the steps of: (A) providing at least one (e.g., at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 100) fish cell which was exposed to the sample; (B) analyzing the at least one fish cell for expression of at least one gene wholly or partially encoded by a nucleotide sequence of

SEQ ID NOs: 1-560; and (C) comparing the expression of the at least one gene in the cell compared to the expression of the at least gene in a control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity. A difference in the expression of the at least one gene in the at least one fish cell compared to the expression of the at least one gene in the control cell indicates that the sample contains an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity.

In the method, the fish cell can be a large mouth bass cell or a sheep's head minnow cell. It can also be one obtained from a fish that had been exposed to the sample.

Also in the method, the step of analyzing the at least one fish cell for expression of at least one gene (e.g., at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 100) might involve isolating RNA transcripts from the at least one cell, and the step of analyzing the at least one fish cell for expression of at least one gene can include contacting the isolated RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom using the isolated RNA transcripts as templates with at least one probe (e.g., at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 100) that hybridizes under stringent hybridization conditions to at least one nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560.

The probe can be immobilized on a substrate such as nylon, nitrocellulose, glass, and plastic. It can be on conjugated with a detectable label. In one variation of the method of the invention, the isolated RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom are conjugated with a detectable label.

The method of the invention might also include analyzing the control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity for expression of at least one gene wholly or partially encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. In this version of the method, the step of analyzing the control cell for expression of at least one gene can include isolating RNA transcripts from the control cell and contacting the isolated RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom using the isolated RNA transcripts as templates with at least one probe (e.g., at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 100) that hybridizes under stringent hybridization conditions to at least one nucleotide sequence (e.g., at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 100) of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Also in this version of the method, the RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom isolated from the at least one fish cell can be conjugated with a first detectable label and the RNA

transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom isolated from the control cell are conjugated with a second detectable label differing from the first detectable label.

For example, the method can include isolating RNA transcripts from the at least one fish cell and contacting the RNA transcripts isolated from the at least one fish cell or nucleic acids derived therefrom using the RNA transcripts isolated from the at least one fish cell as templates with at least one molecule that hybridizes under stringent conditions to at least one nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. The at least one probe can be conjugated with a first detectable label and the at least one molecule can be conjugated with a second detectable label differing in chemical structure from the first detectable label. The step of comparing the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the cell compared to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in a control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity may be performed by quantifying the amount of first detectable label associated with the RNA transcripts isolated from the control cell or nucleic acids derived therefrom, and quantifying the amount of second detectable label associated with the RNA transcripts isolated from the at least one fish cell or nucleic acids derived therefrom.

An additional variation of the method of the invention also includes the steps of contacting the fish with the sample; and isolating the at least one fish cell from the fish contacted with the sample.

In another aspect, the invention features a method for determining whether an agent has estrogenic, anti-estrogenic, androgenic or anti-androgenic activity. This method includes the steps of: providing at least one fish cell; contacting the at least one fish cell with the agent; analyzing the at least one fish cell for expression of at least one gene wholly or partially encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560; and comparing the expression of the at least one gene in the cell compared to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in a control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity. A difference in the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the at least one fish cell compared to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the control cell indicates that the agent has estrogenic, anti-estrogenic, androgenic, or anti-androgenic activity.

Yet another aspect of the invention is a substrate having immobilized thereon at least one (e.g., at least 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 100) nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 and complements thereof.

Unless otherwise defined, all technical terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood by one of ordinary skill in the art to which this invention belongs. Commonly understood definitions of molecular biology terms can be found in Rieger et al., Glossary of Genetics: Classical and Molecular, 5th edition, Springer-Verlag: New York, 1991; and Lewin, Genes V, Oxford University Press: New York, 1994. Commonly understood definitions of microbiology can be found in Singleton and Sainsbury, Dictionary of Microbiology and Molecular Biology, 3rd edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 2002.

By the term “gene” is meant a nucleic acid molecule that codes for a particular protein, or in certain cases a functional or structural RNA molecule.

As used herein, a “nucleic acid” or a “nucleic acid molecule” means a chain of two or more nucleotides such as RNA (ribonucleic acid) and DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid). A “purified” nucleic acid molecule is one that has been substantially separated or isolated away from other nucleic acid sequences in a cell or organism in which the nucleic acid naturally occurs (e.g., 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100% free of contaminants). The term includes, e.g., a recombinant nucleic acid molecule incorporated into a vector, a plasmid, a virus, or a genome of a prokaryote or eukaryote. Examples of purified nucleic acids include cDNAs, fragments of genomic nucleic acids, nucleic acids produced by polymerase chain reaction (PCR), nucleic acids formed by restriction enzyme treatment of genomic nucleic acids, recombinant nucleic acids, and chemically synthesized nucleic acid molecules. A “recombinant” nucleic acid molecule is one made by an artificial combination of two otherwise separated segments of sequence, e.g., by chemical synthesis or by the manipulation of isolated segments of nucleic acids by genetic engineering techniques.

As used herein, “protein” or “polypeptide” are used synonymously to mean any peptide-linked chain of amino acids, regardless of length or post-translational modification, e.g., glycosylation or phosphorylation.

By the term "estrogenic" is meant acting to produce the effects of an estrogen. An "estrogenic agent" and an "estrogen mimic" is a substance that acts to produce the effects of an estrogen.

As used herein the term "androgenic" means acting to produce the effects of an androgen. An "androgenic agent" and an "androgen mimic" is a substance that acts to produce the effects of an androgen.

When referring to hybridization of one nucleic acid to another, "low stringency conditions" means in 10% formamide, 5X Denhardt's solution, 6X SSPE, 0.2% SDS at 42° C, followed by washing in 1X SSPE, 0.2% SDS, at 50° C; "moderate stringency conditions" means in 50% formamide, 5X Denhardt's solution, 5X SSPE, 0.2% SDS at 42° C, followed by washing in 0.2X SSPE, 0.2% SDS, at 65° C; and "high stringency conditions" means in 50% formamide, 5X Denhardt's solution, 5X SSPE, 0.2% SDS at 42° C, followed by washing in 0.1X SSPE, and 0.1% SDS at 65° C. The phrase "stringent hybridization conditions" means low, moderate, or high stringency conditions.

Although methods and materials similar or equivalent to those described herein can be used in the practice or testing of the present invention, suitable methods and materials are described below. All publications, patent applications, patents and other references mentioned herein are incorporated by reference in their entirety. In the case of conflict, the present specification, including definitions will control. The particular embodiments discussed below are illustrative only and not intended to be limiting.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 is a series of macroarrays demonstrating gene expression profiles from SHM exposed to E₂, 17 α -ethynyl estradiol (EE₂), diethylstilbestrol (DES), para-nonylphenol (pNP), methoxychlor (MXC), endosulfan (ES) or untreated control fish. Three separate fish were used for each treatment.

FIG. 2 is two graphs showing quantification of the E₂, EE₂, DES, pNP, MXC, ES and control arrays for SHM. Panel A is a plot of the mean \pm SEM intensity values for each of the cDNA clones arranged in order of their expression. Panel B is a plot of the mean intensity values for each of the cDNA clones for E₂, EE₂, DES, pNP, ES, or MXC divided by the mean intensity values of the respective cDNA clones for untreated control fish. Any clones above the line labeled 1.66 were considered up-regulated genes, any

clones below the line labeled 0.42 were considered down-regulated genes, and any clones between these lines were considered constitutive. Genes on the macroarray were designated as constitutive if their intensity values fell within the range of the mean plus one standard deviation of the highest and lowest values of the 11 clones that were used to
5 normalize the data.

FIG. 3 is a series of graphs plotting the quantification of the EE₂ dose response arrays for SHM. Each graph contains a plot of a gene whose expression levels significantly changed more than 2-fold at one or more of the three EE₂ concentrations compared to controls as revealed by one way analysis of variance ($P < 0.05$). AMBP=
10 alpha-1-microglobulin/bikunin precursor protein. The data on both axes are plotted using a log₁₀ scale.

FIG. 4 shows arrays on a plot for control and E₂-treated fish and the results from the array analysis. Panels A and B are arrays that were hybridized with RNA from control (triethylene glycol (TEG)-treated) and E₂-treated SHMs, respectively. Panel C is
15 a plot of the mean intensity value of each cDNA clone on the E₂-treated blots (N=3) over the mean intensity value of each cDNA clone on the control (TEG treated) blots (N=2). The black circles in panel C represent the 17 cDNA clones that were identified by DD analysis to be constitutive. Any clones above the dotted gray line labeled 1.27 were considered E₂ up-regulated genes, any clones below the dotted gray line labeled 0.83
20 were considered E₂ down-regulated genes, and any clones between the two gray dotted lines were considered constitutive genes. In panel C, a is transferrin, b is vitellogenin (Vtg) β , c is ZP2, and d is vitellogenin α . There is a break in the graph of panel C from 2 to 10 log (intensity) units.

FIG. 5 is two graphs showing gene expression profiles from control and E₂-
25 treated male LMB. (A) shows the mean \pm SEM intensity values for each of the cDNA clones arranged in order of their expression (black circles are E₂, gray circles are control); (B) illustrates the mean intensity values for each of the cDNA clones for E₂ divided by the mean intensity values of the respective cDNA clones from control fish. Any genes outside of the upper and lower solid gray lines in the figure change by more than two-fold
30 and are considered to be up or down-regulated. Genes that exhibited a significant change in expression at $P < 0.05$ are shown by a double asterisk; whereas genes that exhibited a

significant change in expression at $P < 0.1$ are shown by a single asterisk (t-tests). Three separate fish were used for each treatment. Only genes that were found in at least one of the treatments to be at least three standard deviations from the mean of the 12 ribosomal protein (r-protein) genes used to normalize the data (0.98 ± 0.41) are plotted. AR = androgen receptor, ER = estrogen receptor, and NADH = Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide (reduced form).

FIG. 6 is two graphs showing gene expression profiles from control and 4-NP-treated male LMB. The order of genes in this figure corresponds to the order in Fig. 5.

FIG. 7 is two graphs showing gene expression profiles from control and p, p'-DDE treated male LMB. The order of genes in this figure corresponds to the order in Fig. 5.

FIG. 8 is two graphs showing gene expression profiles from control and p, p'-DDE treated female LMB. The order of genes in this figure corresponds to the order in Fig. 5.

FIG. 9 is a list of genes whose expression is increased or decreased more than two-fold following exposure of LMB to E_2 , 4-NP, and p,p'-DDE.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The invention is premised in part on the discovery of nucleic acids (e.g., those of SEQ ID NOs:1-560) whose expression is modulated in response to estrogenic/androgenic agents in fish such as SHM and LMB. Several of these nucleic acids were not previously characterized. Thus, the invention includes these nucleic acids, variants of these nucleic acids, proteins encoded by these nucleic acids, antibodies against these proteins, as well as other embodiments that can be made by one of skill in the art having knowledge of these sequences. An important application of the discovery is an assay for detecting modulation of expression of these nucleic acids in order to analyze an environmental sample or uncharacterized sample molecule. Detection of such modulation in a biological sample indicates that the sample or molecule exerts a hormonal activity (e.g., estrogenic or androgenic activity) or an anti-hormonal activity (e.g., anti-estrogenic, anti-androgenic activity).

The below described preferred embodiments illustrate adaptations of these compositions and methods. Nonetheless, from the description of these embodiments,

other aspects of the invention can be made and/or practiced based on the description provided below.

Biological Methods

Methods involving conventional molecular biology techniques are described herein. Such techniques are generally known in the art and are described in detail in methodology treatises such as *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 3rd ed., vol. 1-3, ed. Sambrook et al., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 2001; and *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, ed. Ausubel et al., Greene Publishing and Wiley-Interscience, New York, 1992 (with periodic updates). Various techniques using PCR are described, e.g., in Innis et al., *PCR Protocols: A Guide to Methods and Applications*, Academic Press: San Diego, 1990. PCR-primer pairs can be derived from known sequences by known techniques such as using computer programs intended for that purpose (e.g., Primer, Version 0.5, ©1991, Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge, MA). Methods for chemical synthesis of nucleic acids are discussed, for example, in Beaucage and Carruthers, *Tetra. Letts.* 22:1859-1862, 1981, and Matteucci et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 103:3185, 1981. Chemical synthesis of nucleic acids can be performed, for example, on commercial automated oligonucleotide synthesizers.

Novel Fish Genes

As several new genes were identified and characterized in making the invention, the invention provides several purified nucleic acids from SHM and LMB that are modulated in response to androgenic/estrogenic compounds. SHM nucleic acids of the invention have the nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 151-419, while LMB nucleic acids of the invention have the nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-150, 420-560.

Various assays described herein include a step of analyzing expression of a SHM or LMB gene modulated in response to an estrogenic or androgenic agent. Thus, polynucleotides that preferentially bind to nucleic acids encoded by the gene (e.g., mRNA, cDNA, DNA complements of cDNA, etc.) are also within the invention. Such polynucleotides can have the exact sequence of all or a portion of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complements of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Because hybridization of two nucleic acids does not generally require 100% complementarity, variants of such polynucleotides are

also within the invention. These might include naturally occurring allelic variants of native LMB or SHM nucleic acids or non-naturally occurring variants that show sequence similarity to all or portions of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complements of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560

5 Naturally occurring allelic variants of native LMB or SHM nucleic acids within the invention are nucleic acids isolated from LMB and SHM that have at least 75% (e.g., 76%, 77%, 78%, 79%, 80%, 81%, 82%, 83%, 84%, 85%, 86%, 87%, 88%, 89%, 90%, 91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98%, and 99%) sequence identity with native LMB and SHM nucleic acids, and encode polypeptides having at least one functional
10 activity in common with LMB and SHM polypeptides. Homologs of native LMB and SHM nucleic acids within the invention are nucleic acids isolated from other species (e.g., other fish species) that have at least 75% (e.g., 76%, 77%, 78%, 79%, 80%, 81%, 82%, 83%, 84%, 85%, 86%, 87%, 88%, 89%, 90%, 91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98%, and 99%) sequence identity with native LMB and SHM nucleic acids, and
15 encode polypeptides having at least one functional activity in common with native LMB and SHM polypeptides. Naturally occurring allelic variants of LMB and SHM nucleic acids and homologs of LMB and SHM nucleic acids can be isolated by using a library screen, other assays described herein, or other techniques known in the art. The nucleotide sequence of such homologs and allelic variants can be determined by
20 conventional DNA sequencing methods. Alternatively, public or non-proprietary nucleic acid databases can be searched to identify other nucleic acid molecules (e.g., nucleic acids from other species) having a high percent (e.g., 70, 80, 90% or more) sequence identity to native LMB and SHM nucleic acids.

 Non-naturally occurring LMB and SHM nucleic acids variants are nucleic acids
25 that do not occur in nature (e.g., are made by the hand of man), have at least 75% (e.g., 76%, 77%, 78%, 79%, 80%, 81%, 82%, 83%, 84%, 85%, 86%, 87%, 88%, 89%, 90%, 91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98%, and 99%) sequence identity with native LMB and SHM nucleic acids, and encode polypeptides having at least one functional activity in common with native LMB and SHM polypeptides. Examples of non-naturally
30 occurring LMB and SHM nucleic acids are those that encode a fragment of an LMB or SHM protein, those that hybridize to native LMB and SHM nucleic acids or a

complement of native LMB and SHM nucleic acids under stringent conditions, those that share at least 65% sequence identity with native LMB and SHM nucleic acids or a complement of native LMB and SHM nucleic acids, and those that encode an LMB or SHM fusion protein.

5 Nucleic acids encoding fragments of LMB and SHM polypeptides within the invention are those that encode, e.g., 2, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, or more amino acid residues of LMB or SHM polypeptides. Shorter oligonucleotides (e.g., those of 6, 12, 20, 30, 50, 100, 125, 150 or 200 base pairs in length) that encode or hybridize with nucleic acids that encode fragments of LMB or SHM polypeptides can be used as
10 probes, primers, or antisense molecules. Longer polynucleotides (e.g., those of 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1100, 1200 or 1300 base pairs) that encode or hybridize with nucleic acids that encode fragments of LMB or SHM polypeptides can be used in place of native LMB or SHM polynucleotides in applications where it is desired to modulate a functional activity of native LMB or SHM polypeptides. Nucleic acids
15 encoding fragments of LMB or SHM polypeptides can be made by enzymatic digestion (e.g., using a restriction enzyme) or chemical degradation of full length LMB or SHM nucleic acids or variants of LMB or SHM nucleic acids.

 Nucleic acids that hybridize under stringent conditions to the nucleic acid of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 are also within the invention.
20 For example, nucleic acids that hybridize to SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 under low stringency conditions, moderate stringency conditions, or high stringency conditions are within the invention. Preferred such nucleic acids are those having a nucleotide sequence that is the complement of all or a portion of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Other variants of LMB or SHM nucleic acids within the invention are
25 polynucleotides that share at least 65% (e.g., 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, and 99%) sequence identity to SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Nucleic acids that hybridize under stringent conditions to or share at least 65% sequence identity with SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 can be obtained by techniques known in the art such as by making mutations in
30 native LMB or SHM nucleic acids, by isolation from an organism expressing such a

nucleic acid (e.g., a fish expressing a variant of native LMB or SHM nucleic acids), or an organism other than a fish expressing a homolog of native LMB or SHM nucleic acids.

Nucleic acid molecules of the present invention may be in the form of RNA or in the form of DNA (e.g., cDNA, genomic DNA, and synthetic DNA). The DNA may be double-stranded (ds) or single-stranded (ss), and if single-stranded may be the coding (sense) strand or non-coding (anti-sense) strand. The nucleic acid molecules of the present invention may also be polynucleotide analogues such as peptide nucleic acids (PNA). See, e.g. Gambari R., Curr. Pharm. Des. 7:1839-1862, 2001; U.S. patent number. 6,395,474; and PCT patent application publication number WO 86/05518. The sequences which encode native LMB and SHM gene products may be identical to the nucleotide sequences shown in SEQ ID NOs:1-560. They may also be different sequences which, as a result of the redundancy or degeneracy of the genetic code, encode the same polypeptides as the polynucleotides of SEQ ID NOs:1-560. Other nucleic acid molecules within the invention are variants of nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 such as those that encode fragments, analogs and derivatives of native proteins encoded by nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Such variants may be, e.g., a naturally occurring allelic variant of native nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, a homolog of native nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, or a non-naturally occurring variant of native nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs:1-560. These variants have a nucleotide sequence that differs from native nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 in one or more bases. For example, the nucleotide sequence of such variants can feature a deletion, addition, or substitution of one or more nucleotides of native nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Nucleic acid insertions are preferably of about 1 to 10 contiguous nucleotides, and deletions are preferably of about 1 to 30 contiguous nucleotides.

Probes and Primers

Nucleic acids that hybridize under stringent conditions to the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 can be used in the invention. For example, such nucleic acids can be those that hybridize to the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 under low stringency conditions, moderate stringency conditions, or high stringency conditions. Preferred such

nucleic acids are those having a nucleotide sequence that is the complement of all or a portion of a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Others that might be used include polynucleotides that share at least 65% (e.g., 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, and 99%) sequence identity to a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Nucleic acids that hybridize under stringent conditions to or share at least 65% sequence identity with the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or the complement of the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 can be obtained by techniques known in the art such as by making mutations in a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, or by isolation from an organism expressing such a nucleic acid (e.g., an allelic variant).

Methods of the invention utilize oligonucleotide probes (i.e., isolated nucleic acid molecules conjugated with a detectable label or reporter molecule, e.g., a radioactive isotope, ligand, chemiluminescent agent, or enzyme); and oligonucleotide primers (i.e., isolated nucleic acid molecules that can be annealed to a complementary target DNA strand by nucleic acid hybridization to form a hybrid between the primer and the target DNA strand, then extended along the target DNA strand by a polymerase, e.g., a DNA polymerase). Primer pairs can be used for amplification of a nucleic acid sequence, e.g., by the PCR or other conventional nucleic-acid amplification methods.

PCR primers can be used to amplify the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 using known PCR and RT-PCR protocols. Such primers can be designed according to known methods as PCR primer design is generally known in the art. See, e.g., methodology treatises such as Basic Methods in Molecular Biology, 2nd ed., ed. Davis et al., Appleton & Lange, Norwalk, CN, 1994; and Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 3rd ed., vol.1-3, ed. Sambrook et al., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 2001.

Probes and primers utilized in methods of the invention are generally 15 nucleotides or more in length, preferably 20 nucleotides or more, more preferably 25 nucleotides, and most preferably 30 nucleotides or more. Preferred probes and primers are those that hybridize to a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 (or cDNA or mRNA) sequence under high stringency conditions, and those that hybridize to

homologs of the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 under at least moderately stringent conditions. Preferably, probes and primers according to the present invention have complete sequence identity with a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. However, probes differing from this sequence that retain the ability to hybridize to a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 under stringent conditions may be designed by conventional methods and used in the invention. Primers and probes based on the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 disclosed herein can be used to confirm (and, if necessary, to correct) the disclosed nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 by conventional methods, e.g., by re-cloning and sequencing a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 or cDNA corresponding to a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560.

Proteins Encoded By Nucleic Acid Sequences Of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560

The invention also provides polypeptides encoded in whole or in part by the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Some polypeptides encoded by the nucleic acids of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 are expressed at higher levels when the nucleic acids are exposed to hormonal compounds compared to control nucleic acids not exposed to the hormonal compound. Other polypeptides encoded in whole or in part by the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 are expressed at lower levels when exposed to hormonal compounds compared to the expression of nucleic acids not exposed to the hormonal compound.

Variants of native proteins encoded in whole or in part by nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 such as fragments, analogs and derivatives of native proteins encoded by nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 may also be used in methods of the invention. Such variants include, e.g., a polypeptide encoded in whole or in part by a naturally occurring allelic variant of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, a polypeptide encoded by an alternative splice form of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, a polypeptide encoded in whole or in part by a homolog of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, and a polypeptide encoded in whole or in part by a non-naturally occurring variant of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560.

Protein variants encoded by a sequence having homology to a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 have a peptide sequence that differs from a native protein encoded in whole or in part by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 in one or more amino acids. The peptide sequence of such variants can feature a deletion, addition, or substitution of one or more amino acids of a native polypeptide encoded in whole or in part by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Amino acid insertions are preferably of about 1 to 4 contiguous amino acids, and deletions are preferably of about 1 to 10 contiguous amino acids. In some applications, variant proteins substantially maintain a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein functional activity. For other applications, variant proteins lack or feature a significant reduction in a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein functional activity. Where it is desired to retain a functional activity of a native protein encoded in whole or in part by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560, preferred protein variants can be made by expressing nucleic acid molecules within the invention that feature silent or conservative changes. Variant proteins with substantial changes in functional activity can be made by expressing nucleic acid molecules within the invention that feature less than conservative changes.

Nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein fragments corresponding to one or more particular motifs and/or domains or to arbitrary sizes, for example, at least 5, 10, 25, 50, 75, 100, 125, 150, 175, 200, and 250 amino acids in length may be utilized in methods of the present invention. Isolated peptidyl portions of proteins encoded by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 can be obtained by screening peptides recombinantly produced from the corresponding fragment of the nucleic acid encoding such peptides. In addition, fragments can be chemically synthesized using techniques known in the art such as conventional Merrifield solid phase f-Moc or t-Boc chemistry. For example, a protein encoded by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 used in methods of the present invention may be arbitrarily divided into fragments of desired length with no overlap of the fragments, or preferably divided into overlapping fragments of a desired length. The fragments can be produced (recombinantly or by chemical synthesis) and tested to identify those peptidyl

fragments which can function as either agonists or antagonists of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein.

Methods of the invention may also involve recombinant forms of the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded proteins. Recombinant polypeptides preferred
5 by the present invention, in addition to native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein, are encoded by a nucleic acid that has at least 85% sequence identity (e.g., 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100%) with a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. In a preferred embodiment, variant proteins lack one or more functional activities of native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID
10 NOs: 1-560-encoded protein.

Protein variants can be generated through various techniques known in the art. For example, protein variants can be made by mutagenesis, such as by introducing discrete point mutation(s), or by truncation. Mutation can give rise to a protein variant having substantially the same, or merely a subset of the functional activity of a native
15 protein encoded in whole or in part by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. Alternatively, antagonistic forms of the protein can be generated which are able to inhibit the function of the naturally occurring form of the protein, such as by competitively binding to another molecule that interacts with a protein encoded in whole or in part by a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. In addition, agonistic forms of the protein
20 may be generated that constitutively express one or more nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein functional activities. Other protein variants that can be generated include those that are resistant to proteolytic cleavage, as for example, due to mutations that alter protease target sequences. Whether a change in the amino acid sequence of a peptide results in a protein variant having one or more functional activities
25 of a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein can be readily determined by testing the variant for a native nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein functional activity.

Antibodies

Antibodies that specifically bind nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-
30 encoded proteins can be used in methods of the invention, for example, in the detection of nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein expression. Antibodies

of the invention include polyclonal antibodies and, in addition, monoclonal antibodies, single chain antibodies, Fab fragments, F(ab')₂ fragments, and molecules produced using a Fab expression library. Antibodies can be of any immunoglobulin class including IgG, IgM, IgE, IgA, IgD and any subclass thereof.

5 Antibodies that specifically recognize and bind to nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded proteins are useful in methods of the present invention. For example, such antibodies can be used in an immunoassay to monitor the level of the corresponding protein produced by a cell or an animal (e.g., to determine the amount or subcellular location of a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein).

10 Methods of the invention may also utilize antibodies, for example, in the detection of a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein in an environmental sample. Antibodies also can be used in a screening assay to measure the effect of a candidate agent on expression or localization of a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560-encoded protein.

15 Detecting the Presence of an Agent Having Androgenic/Estrogenic Activity

 Within the invention, SEQ ID NOs:1-560 are used in various methods for detecting the presence of estrogenic/androgenic agents (e.g., EDCs) such as E₂, EE₂, DES, MXC, ES, 4-NP, p-chlorophenyl, and p,p'-DDE in a sample. Examples of other EDCs that may be detected using compositions and methods of the invention include

20 benzenehexachloride, 1,2-dibromoethane, chloroform, dioxins, furans, octachlorostyrene, PBBs, PCBs, PCB, hydroxylated PBDEs, and pentachlorophenol as well as others disclosed in *Hormonally Active Agents In The Environment*, Ed. by The Committee On Hormonally Active Agents In The Environment Board On Environmental Studies and Toxicology Commission On Life Sciences And National Research Council, National

25 Academy Press, Washington D.C., 1999.

 Methods for detecting the presence of an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity in a sample involve a first step of providing at least one fish cell which was exposed to the sample. A fish cell of the invention can be a cell from any fish, preferably a cell from a SHM or LMB. A sample can be obtained from a number of sources,

30 including a body of water (e.g., river, lake, stream, canal, estuary, pond, etc.) as well as sediment obtained from a body of water or from a site near or contacting a body of water

(e.g., sediment from a lake or river bed). The fish cell exposed to the sample can be a cell taken from a fish that was present in a body of water (or in contact with sediment) from which the sample (i.e., environmental sample) was taken. The fish cell can also be a cell isolated from a provided fish that was contacted with the sample (e.g., taken from a fish that was exposed to a sample in controlled, laboratory conditions). Alternatively, the fish cell can be one that was cultured and exposed to the sample *in vitro*.

A second step of this method involves analyzing the at least one fish cell for expression of at least one gene encoded by a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. A number of methods for analyzing gene expression are described below. A third step of this method involves comparing the expression of the at least one gene in the cell compared to the expression of the at least one gene in a control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity, wherein a difference in the expression of the at least one gene in the at least one fish cell compared to the expression of the same at least one nucleic acid in the control cell indicates that the sample contains an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity.

The step of analyzing the at least one fish cell can include analyzing the cell for expression of at least two (e.g., 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 100) different genes, each being wholly or partially encoded by a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. To analyze the cell for expression of at least one gene, RNA transcripts can be isolated from the at least one cell. The isolated RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom can be used as templates and contacted with at least one probe that hybridizes under stringent conditions to at least one nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. This step can also include contacting the RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom with at least two (e.g., 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 75, 100, 150) different probes that each hybridize under stringent conditions to a different nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. The at least one probe (or probes) or the isolated RNA transcripts (or nucleic acids derived therefrom) can be conjugated with a detectable label such as a fluorophore or a radioactive molecule or compound. The probe(s) can be immobilized on a substrate (e.g., array) before placed in contact with RNA transcripts isolated from a fish cell or control cell, or can be contacted with the

RNA transcripts in solution (e.g., real-time PCR assay) rather than in the presence of a substrate. Examples of substrates that may be used include nylon, nitrocellulose, glass, and plastic.

5 In another method of detecting the presence of an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity in a sample, the control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity is analyzed for expression of at least one gene encoded by a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. For example, RNA transcripts can be isolated from the control cell and contacted with the RNA transcripts or nucleic acids derived therefrom using the isolated RNA
10 transcripts as templates with at least one probe that hybridizes under stringent conditions to at least one nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. This method can further include isolating RNA transcripts from the at least one fish cell and contacting the RNA transcripts isolated from the at least one fish cell (or nucleic acids derived therefrom) with at least one molecule that hybridizes under stringent
15 conditions to at least one nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. In some applications, the at least one probe is conjugated with a first detectable label and the at least one molecule is conjugated with a second detectable label differing in chemical structure from the first detectable label. In other applications, the RNA transcripts (or nucleic acids derived therefrom) isolated from the at least one fish
20 cell are conjugated with a first detectable label and the RNA transcripts isolated from the control cell are conjugated with a second detectable label differing in chemical structure from the first detectable label.

To compare expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the fish cell compared to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in a control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic or androgenic activity, both 1) the amount of first
25 detectable label associated with the RNA transcripts isolated from the control cell (or nucleic acids derived therefrom) and 2) the amount of second detectable label associated with the RNA transcripts isolated from the at least one fish cell (or nucleic acids derived therefrom) is quantified.

30 In one example of comparing expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the fish cell to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the control cell, the labeled RNA

transcripts (or nucleic acids derived therefrom) isolated from the at least one fish cell and from the control cell are contacted e.g., on an array as described herein. Hybridization of the differentially labeled transcripts to the nucleic acids is then detected (e.g., using an imaging device such as a phosphor screen or autoradiographic film) and signal intensities are quantitatively analyzed (e.g., using a software program such as AtlasImage™ 2.01 Clontech, Palo Alto, CA).

Among the traditional methods that can be employed for gene expression analyses are DD RT-PCR, nucleic acid arrays, quantitative PCR (e.g., real-time PCR), *in situ* hybridization, serial analysis of gene expression (SAGE), and subtractive hybridization. DD RT-PCR, for example, isolates differentially expressed genes using both arbitrary and anchored oligo-dT primers (Liang & Pardee, 1992; Liang et al., 1994; and Genome Analysis: A Laboratory Manual Series 1, ed: B. Birren et al., 1997, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY). A typical DD RT-PCR protocol involves several steps including reverse transcription using anchored oligo-dT primers, amplification of cDNA using one anchored and one arbitrary primer, electrophoresis of PCR products, purification of the product of interest, and cloning and sequencing of the product. In one method, DD-RT-PCR is performed with the RNImage mRNA Differential Display system (GenHunter; Nashville, TN) using one-base anchored oligo-dT primers (Liang et al., 1994) as described previously (Denslow et al., 1999a; and Denslow et al., 2001).

In vitro quantitation of gene expression can be performed using a number of real-time quantitative PCR assays. Real-time quantitative PCR assays typically involve labeling a target nucleic acid with a first fluorescing dye and labeling a probe with a second fluorescing dye. For example, Multiplex TaqMan® (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, CA) assays can be performed using the ABI PRISM® 7700 Sequence Detection System (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, CA), capable of detecting multiple dyes with distinct emission wavelengths. Some real-time quantitative PCR applications involve the use of fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET) between fluorochromes introduced into DNA molecules (e.g., molecular beacon assays). For a review of FRET techniques, see Vet et al., Expert Rev. Mol. Diagn. 2:77-86, 2002.

A preferred technique for detecting the presence of estrogenic compounds involves the use of nucleic acid arrays. Nucleic acid arrays allow the simultaneous monitoring of expression patterns of multiple genes from the same sample. Arrays are an appropriate tool for rapidly screening large numbers of genes. Examples of nucleic acid arrays include microarrays and macroarrays. Methods involving nucleic acid arrays are reviewed in Ringner et al., *Pharmacogenomics* 3:403-415, 2002; Epstein et al., *Curr. Opin. Biotechnol.* 11:36-41, 2000; Granjeaud et al., *BioEssays* 21:781-790, 1999; Hatakeyama K., *Nippon Rinsho* 57:465-473, 1999; *DNA Microarrays: A Molecular Cloning Manual*, ed: D. Bowtell and J. Sambrook, 2002, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, and U.S Patent No. 6,410,229. The construction and use of nucleic acid arrays containing fish genes is described below.

Arrays

The nucleic acids (and proteins and antibodies) of the invention are preferably useful for assaying a sample for the presence of a hormonal agent (e.g., an estrogenic, sample in an environmental water sample). In this regard, nucleic acid-based assays are presently preferred. The invention thus provides a substrate having immobilized thereon at least one nucleic acid including a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 and complements thereof. A typical substrate having immobilized thereon at least one nucleic acid of the invention is an array of fish nucleic acids, including nucleic acids (e.g., genes and gene fragments) responsive to androgenic and estrogenic compounds. Arrays containing fish-derived nucleic acids responsive to androgenic and/or estrogenic compounds can be used in a number of applications. For example, the arrays can be used to monitor the presence and distribution of androgenic and estrogenic contaminants in the environment. The arrays can also be used to screen for synthetic or natural agents having androgenic or estrogenic activity. An example of an array provided by the invention is a macroarray containing LMB- or SHM-derived nucleic acids. On a preferred macroarray of the invention, a minimum number of nucleotides of 150 is included for each nucleic acid (e.g., 2, 10, 50, 75, 100, 125, 130, 135, 140, 145, 150, 155, 160, 165, 170, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400 or more). A portion of the nucleic acids on the macroarray are responsive to estrogenic compounds. A list of

nucleic acids that may be contained within a macroarray of the invention is presented in Table III (SHM), Table II (LMB), and Table IV (SHM and LMB).

To construct a cDNA macroarray, cDNA is first prepared from RNA. Techniques for preparing cDNA from RNA are widely known, and are described in methodology treatises such as Sambrook and Russell *supra* and Ausubel et al., *supra*. In one example, 5 cDNA clones (e.g., miniprep cDNAs) derived from DD RT-PCR analysis (as described above) are PCR-amplified using primers specific to the cloning vector (e.g., pGEMT-Easy, Promega, Madison, WI). Any suitable thermocycling conditions that result in amplification of the desired product may be used. After completion of the PCR, the 10 products are purified (e.g., in a spin-column, Quiagen, Chatsworth, CA) and then concentrated (e.g., in a speed-vac). Aliquots of the PCR products are then resolved electrophoretically (e.g., run on a 1.2% agarose gel containing 0.3 mM ethidium bromide). The resultant gels are analyzed (e.g., digitally imaged using a UVP Bio Doc-It camera, Ultra Violet Laboratory Products, Upland CA) and the concentration of each 15 PCR product is determined. Typically, concentrations of PCR products are determined by comparing the intensity of each band to a standard curve derived from a low DNA mass ladder (InVitrogen Corporation, Carlsbad, CA).

Once the PCR products are purified and their concentrations determined, they are then spotted onto a membrane (e.g., nylon membrane). Methods for spotting cDNAs 20 onto membranes are discussed in Diehl et al., NAR 29:E38, 2001; Shieh et al., Biotechniques 32:1360-1362 & 1364-1365, 2002; and Schuchhardt et al., NAR 28:E47, 2000. In one method of spotting the cDNAs onto a membrane, PCR products are denatured, quenched on ice, and robotically spotted onto nylon membranes (Fisher Scientific). In this method, membranes are cross-linked and stored under vacuum at 25 room temperature until the hybridization step. Various controls are also spotted onto the membranes. These controls provide information about cDNA labeling efficiency, blocking at the pre-hybridization step, and non-specific binding. Any genes that are not responsive to estrogen may be used as negative control genes on an array of the invention. Control genes that are not responsive to estrogen include *Arabidopsis thaliana* 30 cDNA clones, Cot-1 repetitive sequences, polyA sequence (SpotReport 3, Stratagene, LaJolla, CA), and a M13 sequence (vector but no cDNA insert). The consistency of the

spotting technique may be assessed by spotting on the array multiple cDNA products from the same gene that were amplified in separate PCR reactions.

For the generation of probes, mRNA from fish exposed to an estrogenic compound (e.g., E₂, EE₂, DES, pNP, ES, MXC) and mRNA from control fish (i.e., fish not exposed to estrogenic compounds), is extracted and purified. mRNA may be purified by a number of known techniques, including the use of affinity columns (Qiagen, Chatsworth, CA). In addition to RNA probes, cDNA probes may also be used. The labeling of nucleotide probes is described in Religio et al., NAR 30:351, 2002; and Yu et al., Mol. Vis. 8:130-137, 2002. Probes may be labeled using any of a number of techniques, including fluorescence (e.g., Atlas Glass Fluorescent Labeling Kit, Clontech, Palo Alto, CA), resonance light scattering (Bao et al., Anal. Chem. 74:1792-1797, 2002), gold nanoparticle labeling (Fritzsche et al., J. Biotechnol. 1:37-46, 2001) and radioactive methods. In one example of radiolabeling RNA probes, DNase-treated total RNA from fish is subjected to random primer labeling with α -³³P dATP (Strip-EZ RT, Ambion, Austin, TX). RNAs may also be radiolabeled using a kit such as AtlasPure™ RNA Labeling System. Typically, blots are prehybridized for several hours, hybridized overnight with probe-containing solution, and then washed several times.

To detect hybridization of the probe to nucleotides on an array, membranes are exposed to a suitable imaging device, such as a phosphor screen (Molecular Dynamics, Piscataway, NJ) or autoradiographic film for an appropriate period of time (e.g., several hours). Signal intensities may be quantitatively analyzed using a suitable software program, such as AtlasImage™ 2.01 (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA). Blots may also be quantitatively evaluated using a Typhoon 8600 imaging system (Molecular Dynamics). For each nucleotide (e.g., cDNA) clone on an array, the general background of each membrane is subtracted from the average value of the duplicate spots on the membrane. The values are normalized to the average value of several (e.g., 11) nucleotide (e.g., cDNA) clones. Gene array data is analyzed using a suitable statistical analysis. For example, linear regression and one-way analysis of variance, with Tukey post-hoc analysis (SigmaStat and SigmaPlot, Jandel, CA) may be used to analyze the gene array data.

Determining Whether An Agent Has Estrogenic, Anti-Estrogenic, Androgenic, or Anti-Androgenic Activity

In addition to detecting the presence of estrogenic compounds in the environment, nucleic acid arrays containing one or more nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560 of the invention may also be used to screen for compounds with estrogenic, anti-estrogenic, androgenic, or anti-androgenic activity. Estrogenic compounds (e.g., estrogen, estrogen mimics) have possible uses in a number of disorders, including the treatment of cardiovascular disease, menopausal symptoms and menopausal osteoporosis. Molecules or compounds with anti-estrogenic activity (e.g., flavonoids) have a number of possible applications, including the treatment of breast cancer. Androgenic agents also have a number of applications, including the treatment of sexual dysfunction, depression and pelvic endometriosis. Androgenic agents are also fed to livestock as growth-inducing agents. For the treatment of prostate enlargement and acne, anti-androgenic agents are useful.

A method for determining whether an agent has estrogenic, anti-estrogenic, androgenic, or anti-androgenic activity involves several steps. A first step in this method includes providing at least one fish cell. In a second step of the method, the at least one fish cell is contacted with the agent. In a third step, the at least one fish cell is analyzed for expression of at least one gene wholly or partially encoded by a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-560. A fourth step of the method includes comparing the expression of the at least one gene in the cell compared to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in a control cell not exposed to the sample or an agent having estrogenic, anti-estrogenic, androgenic or anti-androgenic activity. In this method, a difference in the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the at least one fish cell compared to the expression of the at least one nucleic acid in the control cell indicates that the agent has estrogenic, anti-estrogenic, androgenic, or anti-androgenic activity.

In one embodiment of determining if a test agent increases or decreases expression of a gene responsive to estrogen, cells are first exposed to the test agent *in vitro*. For example, multiple compounds can be tested simultaneously by plating cells in a multi-well plate (e.g., in a 96 well tissue culture plate) and contacting one test compound

per well. RNA from the exposed cells as well as from control cells (i.e., negative control cells not exposed to the test compound and positive control cells exposed to the test compound) is isolated and reverse transcribed to cDNAs. The cDNAs are labeled to generate probes as described above, and contacted with the nucleic acid arrays of the invention. Hybridization of the labeled probes to the nucleic acids of the array (e.g., SEQ ID NOs: 1-560) is analyzed as described above. Alternatively, whole fish can be exposed to the test agents in the water or through the food. This allows for normal metabolic processes to occur within the various tissues of the fish to end up with an agent that has either the same or more or less activity than the parent agent.

EXAMPLES

The present invention is further illustrated by the following specific examples. The examples are provided for illustration only and are not to be construed as limiting the scope or content of the invention in any way.

Example 1 - Expression Profiling of Estrogenic Compounds Using A SHM cDNA

Macroarray

Methods

Amplification of cDNA to be spotted on macroarrays: Minipreps of 30 cDNA clones derived from DD RT-PCR analysis (Denslow et al., Gen. Comp. Endocrinol. 121:250-260, 2001; Denslow et al., Comp. Biochem. Physiol. B. Biochem. Mol. Biol. 129:277-282, 2001) were PCR amplified in a 300 μ L reaction containing 1X PCR Buffer A (Promega, Madison, WI), 2mM $MgCl_2$ (Promega, Madison, WI), 160 μ M each deoxynucleotide triphosphate (dNTP) (Statagene, La Jolla, CA), 0.4 μ M M13 primers (5'-GTT TTC CCA GTC ACG ACG TTG (SEQ ID NO:561) and 5'-GCG GAT AAC AAT TTC ACA CAG GA (SEQ ID NO:562), and 1.25 units *Taq* polymerase (Promega, Madison, WI). The PCR reaction conditions were: 1 cycle at 80°C (1 min); 1 cycle at 94°C (2min); 32 cycles at 94°C (1 min) 57°C (1 min) 72°C (2 min); 1 cycle at 72°C (10 min); and then hold at 4°C. After completion of the PCR reactions the products were purified in a spin-column (Qiagen, Chatsworth, CA) and then concentrated in a speed-vac. Aliquots of the PCR products were run on a 1.2% agarose gel containing 0.3 mM ethidium bromide. The gels were digitally imaged using a UVP Bio Doc-It camera (Ultra Violet Laboratory Products, Upland CA) and the concentration of each PCR product was

determined by comparing the intensity of each band to a standard curve derived from a low DNA mass ladder (Invitrogen Corporation, Carlsbad, CA). The PCR products were adjusted to a concentration of 160 ng/μL cDNA template.

Spotting of the macroarrays: The PCR products were loaded into 96 well plates (Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, PA), denatured with 3 M NaOH, heated to 65°C for 10 mins, and then immediately quenched on ice. 20 X saline sodium citrate (SSC) (3M NaCl, 0.3M sodium citrate, pH 7.0) containing 0.01 mM bromophenol blue was added to the samples to yield a final concentration of 0.3M NaOH, 6X SSC, and 100 ng/μL cDNA template. The PCR products were robotically spotted (Biomek 2000, Beckman Coulter, Fullerton, CA) in duplicate onto 11.5 by 7.6 cm neutral nylon membranes (Fisher Scientific) using 100 nL pins. Membranes were UV cross-linked at 1×10^5 μJoules (UV Stratalinker 1800, Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) and stored under vacuum at room temperature until hybridization.

Array controls: Various controls were also spotted onto the membranes, which provided information about cDNA labeling efficiency, blocking at the pre-hybridization step, and non-specific binding. These controls included: 3 *Arabidopsis thaliana* cDNA clones, Cot-1 repetitive sequences, poly A sequence (SpotReport 3, Stratagene), and a M13 sequence (vector but no cDNA insert). The consistency of the technique was evaluated by spotting on the array multiple cDNA products from the same gene that were amplified in separate PCR reactions.

Sample extraction: Total hepatic messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA) was extracted using affinity columns (Qiagen, Chatsworth, CA) from adult male SHMs treated by aqueous exposure to either 65.14 ng/L of E₂, 109 ng/L EE₂, 100 ng/L DES, 11.81 μg/L pNP, 590.3 ng/L ES or 5.59 μg/L MXC as described previously (Folmar et al., Aquatic Toxicol. 49:77-88, 2000; Hemmer et al., Environ. Toxicol. Chem. 20:336-343, 2001). Three fish were used per treatment group. Criteria for selection of samples from each compound tested were based on previously generated dose response curves (Folmar et al., Aquat. Toxicol. 49:77-88, 2000; Hemmer et al., Environ. Toxicol. Chem. 20:336-343, 2001) and chosen to give similar levels of expression of Vtg mRNA, a well established estrogenic biomarker (Bowman et al., Gen. Comp. Endocrinol. 120:300-313, 2000; Sumpter and Jobling, Environ. Health Perspect. 103:173-178, 1995). By selecting

the concentration and length of exposure to yield similar Vtg mRNA expression levels, differing potencies among the chemicals tested was accounted for. Based on this criterion, length of exposure was four days for EE₂ and DES, five days for E₂ and pNP, and thirteen days for MXC. ES treatment levels ranging from 68.8 ng/L to 788.33 ng/L failed to induce Vtg mRNA. A treatment of 590.3 ng/L of ES for these analyses was chosen. This level of ES was slightly below the maximum acceptable toxicant concentration (MATC) derived for ES for SHMs (Hansen and Cripe 1991).

Labeling of RNA and hybridization: Radiolabeled probes were generated by random primer labeling of DNase treated (DNA-*free*, Ambion, Austin, TX) total RNA from male SHM livers with [α -³³P] dATP (Strip-EZ RT, Ambion, Austin, TX). The blots were prehybridized with ultraArray hybridization buffer (Ambion, Austin, TX) at 64°C for 3 hours. Following prehybridization, each probe was diluted 20-fold with 10 mM disodium ethylenediaminetetraacetate (EDTA), pH 8.0 to yield 1X10⁶ cpm incorporated ³³P per mL hybridization solution. The diluted probes were heated to 95°C for 5 mins, quenched on ice for 1 min, and added directly to the prehybridization buffer. The blots were then hybridized overnight at 64°C. Following hybridization, the blots were washed 4 X 15 minutes each with low (2X SSC, 0.5% SDS) and high (0.5X SSC and 0.5% SDS) stringency washes (Ambion, Austin, TX) at 64°C.

Detection and normalization: The membranes were exposed to a phosphor screen (Molecular Dynamics, Piscataway, NJ) at room temperature for 48 hrs. The blots were quantitatively evaluated using a Typhoon 8600 imaging system (Molecular Dynamics, Piscataway, NJ). For each cDNA clone, the general background of each membrane was subtracted from the average value of the duplicate spots on the membrane. The values were normalized to the average value of 11 cDNA clones. These genes include ribosomal proteins L8, S9, two unique genes that are similar to ribosomal protein S9, and several clones that do not match any sequences in the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) database. These genes were chosen to normalize the data because they did not fluctuate appreciably (< 1.3 fold) on macro arrays from E₂-treated and control fish and also were shown to be equally expressed in controls and treated fish by DD analysis data. Gene array data was analyzed using linear regression and one-way

analysis of variance, with Tukey post-hoc analysis (SigmaStat and SigmaPlot, Jandel, CA).

Results

As a first step toward using array technology, the variability between the
5 macroarrays was determined. To accomplish this, aliquots of identical RNA samples
were hybridized onto two separate membranes. A scatter plot correlating the intensity
values for each spot on the two membranes was generated. The data points in the graph
cluster along a slope of one for all of the spots, including both the low and highly
expressed cDNA clones ($R^2 = 0.94$). Similar R^2 values ranging from 0.88-0.97 were
10 observed in replicate experiments.

cDNAs corresponding to thirty unique genes were spotted on the macroarrays.
These genes were originally isolated by comparing gene expression profiles from control
and E₂-treated fish by DD RT-PCR. Hepatic mRNA from exposed fish were radiolabeled
and individually hybridized to membranes to determine if fish treated with E₂, EE₂, DES,
15 pNP, MXC, and ES shared similar expression profiles. Three separate fish were used for
each treatment. Figure 1 contains representative membranes from the different
treatments and a graphical representation of the data is shown in Figure 2. Figure 2A
illustrates the mean \pm SEM intensity values for each of the cDNA clones arranged in order
of their expression; Figure 2B illustrates the mean intensity values for each of the cDNA
20 clones for E₂, EE₂, DES, pNP, MXC or ES divided by the mean intensity values of the
respective cDNA clones from the untreated control fish.

Several of the genes that were spotted on the array were found to be up or-down
regulated in E₂-treated fish compared to controls. These genes were identified by
comparing their intensity values to constitutive genes after correcting for intra-membrane
25 differences based on the intensity values of 11 cDNA clones used to normalize the data.
Genes on the macroarray were designated as constitutive if their fold-induction values
fell within the range of the mean plus one standard deviation of the highest and lowest
values of the 11 clones. Based on this criteria, any cDNA clones in the macroarray
experiments above a \sim 1.66-fold induction were designated as up-regulated genes
30 respective to control fish, and any cDNA clones that had a value below \sim 0.42 were
designated as down-regulated.

Of the 30 genes used on the array, 6 genes were found to be up-regulated by E₂ including Vtg α and β, choriogenin 2 and 3, ER α, and coagulation factor XI. Three genes found to be down-regulated by E₂ were transferrin, beta actin, and alpha-1-microglobulin/bikunin precursor protein. The remaining genes did not appear to be differentially regulated by E₂ when compared to controls.

The 9 genes that were up or down-regulated by EE₂, DES, pNP, and MXC exposures showed a similar pattern of expression to the E₂ treatment. Interestingly, ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme 9 was significantly (P<0.05) up-regulated only in the pNP treatments suggesting its regulation is not mediated through the ER. Eight of the nine genes that were found to be up or down-regulated for E₂, EE₂, DES, pNP, and MXC did not fluctuate for ES-treated fish, but instead resembled the pattern observed in control fish. The primary exception was ER α, which appeared to be up-regulated for all of the compounds, including ES. An additional gene, 3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl CoA reductase, appeared to be slightly down-regulated in fish treated with ES compared to all of the other treatments and the controls.

To determine if the gene expression profiles on the array could be verified by other techniques that monitor mRNA expression, the expression profiles of several genes on the arrays were compared (Vtg α, choriogenin 2, and transferrin) to their profile by Northern blots and DD RT-PCR. Both Vtg α and choriogenin 2 mRNA levels increase in fish treated with E₂, as measured by Northern blots and DD RT-PCR. Transferrin decreases with E₂ treatment, as measured by Northern blots and DD RT-PCR.

To assess whether the arrays could be used as a quantitative tool to measure the expression of multiple genes at varying concentrations of an estrogenic chemical, male SHMs exposed for 4 days to either 24, 109, or 832 ng/L of EE₂ were examined (Folmar et al., *Aquatic Toxicol.* 49:77-88, 2000; Hemmer et al., *Environ. Toxicol. Chem.* 20:336-343, 2001). Figure 3 contains graphical illustrations of genes whose expression levels significantly changed more than 2-fold in one or more of the three EE₂ concentrations examined (P<0.05). Vtg α and β, choriogenin 2, choriogenin 3, ER α, and clone ND107-B were found to increase in a concentration dependent manner in the EE₂-exposed fish. Three other genes, transferrin, alpha-1-microglobulin/bikunin precursor protein, and beta actin, appeared to decrease in a dose-dependent manner. These results were consistent

with the same genes that were up or down-regulated in the E₂, DES, pNP, and MXC exposed fish (Figure 2).

Example 2 - Expression Profiling of E₂ Using a SHM Array

A SHM estrogen responsive macroarray was developed to investigate the feasibility of applying array technology in monitoring the environmental distribution of endocrine disrupting compounds that mimic estrogen.

Total hepatic mRNA was extracted from 5 adult male SHMs treated by aqueous exposure to 100 ng/L of E₂ dissolved in triethylene glycol (TEG) for 5 days. Minipreps of 54 cDNA clones derived from DD analysis were PCR amplified using primers specific to the M13 sequence of the cloning vector (pGEMT-Easy, Promega, Madison, WI). After the PCR reactions the products were purified in spin-columns (Qiagen, Chatsworth, CA) and then concentrated in a speed-vac. The cDNA samples were denatured with NaOH, heated to 65°C for 10 min, and then immediately quenched on ice. 20X SSC (3M NaCl, 0.3M sodium citrate, pH 7.0) that contained 0.01 mM bromophenol blue was then added to the samples to yield a final concentration of 0.3M NaOH, 6X SSC, and 100 ng/μL cDNA template. The samples were then robotically spotted (Biomek 2000, Beckman Coulter, Fullerton, CA) in duplicate onto neutral nylon membranes (Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, PA) using 100 nL pins. The membranes were UV cross-linked and then stored under vacuum at room temperature until hybridized. Various controls, which provided information about the cDNA labeling efficiency, blocking, and non-specific binding of the arrays, were also spotted onto the membranes. These controls included: 3 *Arabidopsis thaliana* cDNA clones, Cot-1 repetitive sequences, poly A sequence (SpotReport 3, Stratagene, La Jolla, CA), and a M13 sequence (vector but no cDNA insert). Labeling of RNA probes and hybridization of blots was performed as described in Example 1.

The inter-membrane process variability between macroarrays was determined by hybridizing aliquots of identical RNA samples onto two separate membranes. A scatter plot correlating intensity values between the membranes was generated. The data points in the graph clustered along a slope of one (R² of 0.95, Sigma Stat, Jandel, CA), a result which indicates that there is very little variability between membranes.

To determine if the gene transcripts found to be up- or down-regulated initially by DD analysis reflect the same induction pattern when spotted onto array membranes, RNA from adult male SHMs aqueously exposed to 100 ng/L of E₂ dissolved in TEG were radiolabeled and hybridized to several membranes. Figures 4A and 4B contain blots of control (TEG-treated) and E₂-treated fish, respectively. Figure 4C is a plot of the mean intensity values. Genes on the macroarray were designated as constitutive genes if their intensity values fell within the range of the highest (1.27) and lowest (0.83) value of the 17 cDNA clones that were used to normalize the data. Based on this criteria, any cDNA clone in the macroarray experiments that had an intensity value above ~1.27 was designated an E₂ up-regulated gene, and any cDNA clone that had a value below ~0.83 was designated an E₂ down-regulated gene. Of the 54 cDNA clones that were spotted on the array, 15 genes appeared to be up-regulated by E₂, 32 clones appeared to be constitutive, and 7 genes appeared to be down-regulated by exposure to E₂. All of the highly up-regulated genes, including vitellogenin α and β and the choriogenic protein (ZP2) were also shown to be up-regulated on DD analysis. Interestingly, transferrin, a protein involved in iron transport that was identified to be down-regulated by DD analysis also appears to be down-regulated in response to E₂ on the macroarrays.

Example 3 - Gene Expression Profiles of LMB Exposed to 4-NP and ICI 182,780 Using a LMB Array

Experimental Design and Sample Collection: Adult male LMB were purchased from American Sports Fish Hatchery (Montgomery, Alabama) and maintained in fiberglass tanks as previously described (Larkin et al., *Comp. Biochem. Physiol. B. Biochem. Mol. Biol.* 133:543-557, 2002; Larkin et al., *Marine Environ. Res.* 54:395-399, 2002; and Larkin et al., *Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology* 133:543-557, 2002). Array technology as a tool to monitor exposure of fish to xenoestrogens. *Marine Environ. Res.*, 2002; Bowman et al., *Mol. Cell. Endocrinol.* 196:67-77, 2002). Each fish was injected IP with either 50 mg/kg 4-NP (Fluka, St. Louis, MO # 74430), the combination of 50 mg/kg 4-NP and 1.0 mg/kg ICI 182,780 (Tocris Cookson), or vehicle, which consisted of ethanol and DMSO (Sigma, St. Louis, MO #5879). Each dose was dissolved in 1 ml of ethanol and then diluted to the appropriate concentration with DMSO. The fish were euthanized by submersion in a water bath containing 50-100 ppm MS-22 48

hours post injection and sacrificed by a sharp blow to the head followed by cervical transaction. The livers were excised and immediately flash frozen in liquid nitrogen. The frozen tissues were stored at -80°C until RNA was isolated.

RNA Isolation: Isolation of total RNA from liver tissue was performed with the RNA Stat-60 reagent (Tel-test). Briefly, 30mg – 50mg of tissue stored in RNA later was homogenized in 0.9 mls STAT 60, chloroform was added, and the mixture was centrifuged at 12,000g for 15 minutes at 4°C . The extraction process was repeated and the pooled RNA was added to 500 μl isopropanol and allowed to precipitate at -20°C for at least one hour. Following centrifugation at 12,000g for 50 minutes, the pellet was washed with 70% ethanol, air dried and resuspended in an appropriate volume (50 μl -120 μl of RNA secure. The samples were treated with RNA secure (Ambion, Austin TX #7010) to inactivate contaminating RNases. All isolated RNA was treated with DNase solution (Ambion, Austin, TX #1906) following the manufacture's protocol. For all RNA samples, the quantity and quality of total RNA was assessed by spectrophotometric readings at 260nm and by electrophoresis through a 1% formaldehyde agarose gel stained with ethidium bromide.

Real-Time PCR: Real time PCR was performed using reagents and a 5700 thermocycler purchased from Applied Biosystems (ABI, Foster City, CA). The nucleotide sequences of the primers for the ER subtypes and Vtg 1 are as follows: 5' GACTACGCCTCCGGCTATCAYTATGG (SEQ ID NO:563) AND 5'CATCAGGTAGATCTCAGGGGGYTCNGCNTC (SEQ ID NO:564). Probes and primers for the ER subtypes and Vtg 1 are described in Bowman et al., *Ecotoxicology* 8:399-416, 1999; and Bowman et al., *Mol. Cell Endocrinol.* 196:67-77, 2002. Each real time PCR reaction consisted of 0.01 – 0.2 μg of reverse transcribed total RNA from liver tissue, 1X universal Taqman master mix (ABI, Foster City, CA), and primers and probes in a 25 μl reaction. To generate a standard curve, varying amounts of plasmid containing the specific cDNA inserts for each gene were used as template in the PCR reactions. For each gene, a 6 point standard encompassing a 1×10^6 fold range of approximately $25 - 2.5 \times 10^6$ copies of cDNA was constructed. Each sample was run in duplicate and normalized 18s rRNA, also obtained by real-time PCR. Both the intra-assay and inter-assay variability never exceeded 10%. The final data is graphed as the mean and

standard error of the relative copies of each ER or Vtg mRNA per μg of total RNA. Statistical differences between the treatments were determined by one way analysis of variance with Dunnett's post-hoc analysis.

Amplification of cDNA to be spotted on the macro arrays: The macroarrays were prepared and printed as previously described (Larkin et al., *Marine Environ. Res.* 54:395-399, 2002). Briefly, the 132 LMB clones were PCR amplified using primers specific to the M13 sequence of the cloning vector (pGEMT-Easy, Promega, Madison, WI). After completion of the PCR reactions the products were purified using MultiScreen PCR plates (Millipore, Bedford, MA), concentrated, denatured with NaOH, heated to 65°C for 10 min, and then immediately quenched on ice. 20 X SSC (3M NaCl, 0.3M sodium citrate, pH 7.0) containing 0.01 mM bromophenol blue was added to the samples to yield a final concentration of 0.3M NaOH, 6X SSC, and 100 ng/ μL cDNA template. The PCR products were robotically spotted (Biomek 2000, Beckman Coulter, Fullerton, CA) in duplicate onto neutral nylon membranes (Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, PA) using 100 nL pins. Membranes were UV cross-linked and stored under vacuum at room temperature until hybridization.

Labeling of RNA and hybridization was performed as described in Example 1. The membranes were exposed to a phosphor screen (Molecular Dynamics, Piscataway, NJ) at room temperature for 48 hours. The blots were quantitatively evaluated using a Typhoon 8600 imaging system (Molecular Dynamics, Piscataway, NJ). For each cDNA clone, the general background of each membrane was subtracted from the average value of the duplicate spots on the membrane. The values were normalized to the average value of 12 cDNA clones specific to ribosomal genes, which included S2, S3, S8, S15, S16, S27, L4, L5, L8, L13, L21, and L28. Ribosomal genes were chosen to normalize the data because they do not appear to fluctuate appreciably (< 1.3 fold) in response to estrogenic compounds. Genes were not included for analysis that had values less than the background value for two out of the three replicates and/or fluctuated more than two fold when aliquots of the same RNA were hybridized to blots printed at the beginning, middle, and the end of the array printing process.

Measurement of ER and Vtg 1 mRNA by real-time PCR: Real-time PCR is a sensitive assay that can be used to quantitate expression levels of genes. Using this

technology, assays were designed to quantitate the expression of 4 genes, estrogen receptors alpha, beta, and gamma, and Vtg 1 in LMB following exposure to 4-NP and 4-NP/ICI 182,780. Using primers and probes specific to each gene it was possible to differentiate between the ER isotypes with no cross reactivity. Exposure of LMB to a single IP injection of 4-NP (50 mg/kg) significantly increased ER α by 80 fold ($p < 0.05$) after 48 hours when compared to controls. During the same time frame, the levels of both ER β and ER γ decreased approximately 1.3-fold and 2.6-fold respectively, however these changes were not statistically significant from controls. When the LMB were exposed to a combination of 4-NP (50 mg/kg) and the anti-estrogen ICI 182,780 (1.0 mg/kg), the levels of ER α increased only 4-fold over controls ($p < .08$), suggesting that the anti-estrogen had interfered with the activation process. As with the 4-NP treatment, the expression of ER β and γ decreased (1.9-fold) but the values did not differ significantly from controls.

Since the Vtg gene is an E_2 -responsive gene that is under transcriptional control by ERs in the liver, the expression levels of Vtg 1 were also determined by real-time PCR. Exposure to 4-NP increased message levels by approximately 40-fold over controls ($p < .05$), however, this induction was not repressed by the addition of ICI 182,780.

LMB gene array analysis: In order to further characterize the effects of 4-NP alone or in conjunction with ICI 182,780 on hepatic gene regulation in LMB, the expression of 132 genes was examined, many of which are estrogen responsive, by gene arrays. Total hepatic RNA isolated from control and exposed fish was radiolabeled and hybridized to the membranes. Of the 132 genes on the array, only genes that changed by at least 3 standard deviations from the mean of the 12 ribosomal genes that were used to normalize the data are included. These include several that are up or down-regulated by more than 2-fold, a conservative cutoff generally used for array interpretation. The mean and standard error for each gene for control and treated LMB was determined. The fold induction of each gene over controls for both the NP and NP/ICI 182,780 treatments was determined.

In the 4-NP-treated fish (Fig. 6), 9 genes were up-regulated 2-fold or greater including 4 Vtgs, choriogenin 2, choriogenin 3, aspartic protease, signal peptidase, and

one unidentified clone designated 92-1. Two genes were found to be down-regulated by 4-NP including transferrin and clone 50-1. In the case of the mixture of 4-NP and ICI 182,780, some genes that were up-regulated by 4-NP treatment alone were reduced, but not all. In fact, the expression levels of 4 Vtgs, 2 choriogenins, and transferrin were not affected at all; instead they appear to be expressed to the same levels as with the 4-NP alone. Vtg 1, 2, 2a, and 3 were induced approximately 74, 28, 37, and 2-fold over controls respectively. The levels of both choriogenins increased to values approximately 35-fold over controls while aspartic protease was induced 16 fold over controls.

Genes which were reduced by the mixture and that exhibited at least a 2-fold change in expression included aspartic protease, protein disulfide isomerase, integral membrane protein, methionine sulfoxide reductase, ER γ , glucocorticoid receptor, aldose reductase, ER β , FK506 binding protein, and 21 unidentified clones. All of these genes except for clone 53-1 were down regulated by the addition of ICI 182,780 to the 4-NP.

Example 4 - Gene Expression Analysis of LMB Exposed to E₂ and p,p'-DDE Using a LMB Array Materials and Methods

Amplification of cDNA to be spotted on the macro arrays: The 132 clones of LMB genes in pGEM-T Easy plasmids were PCR amplified in a 300 μ L reaction containing 1X PCR Buffer A (Promega, Madison, WI), 2mM MgCl₂ (Promega, Madison, WI), 160 μ M each dNTP (Statagene, La Jolla, CA), 0.4 μ M M13 primers (5'-GTT TTC CCA GTC ACG ACG TTG (SEQ ID NO:?) and 5'-GCG GAT AAC AAT TTC ACA CAG GA (SEQ ID NO:?)), and 1.25 units Taq polymerase (Promega, Madison, WI). The PCR reaction conditions were 1 cycle at 80°C (1 min), 1 cycle at 94°C (2min), 32 cycles at 94°C (1 min), 57°C (1 min), and 72°C (2 min), 1 cycle at 72°C (10 min), and then hold at 4°C. After completion of the PCR reactions the products were purified using MultiScreen PCR plates (Millipore, Bedford, MA) and then concentrated in a speed-vac. Aliquots of the PCR products were run on a 1.2% agarose gel containing 0.3 mM ethidium bromide. The gels were digitally imaged using a UVP Bio Doc-It camera (Ultra violet Laboratory Products, Upland CA) and the concentration of each PCR product was determined by comparing the intensity of the gel band to a standard curve derived from a low DNA mass ladder (Invitrogen Corporation, Carlsbad, CA). The PCR products were adjusted to a concentration of 160 ng/ μ L cDNA template.

Spotting of the gene arrays and various controls used are described in Example 1. Chemicals, Treatment, and Preparation of the hepatic samples: E₂ (# E-8875) and p, p'-DDE (#12,389-7) were obtained from Sigma-Aldrich Corporation (St Louis, MO); 4-NP (#74430, 85% para isomer) was obtained from Fluka (Milwaukee, WI).

5 Adult (~1.5 year old) LMB weighing 300 ± 71 grams were obtained from American Sports Fish Hatchery (Montgomery, Alabama). Fish were acclimated for a minimum of one month in an aerated holding tank prior to treatment. The fish were exposed to ambient light and fed Purina Aquamax 5D05 fish chow (St. Louis, MO). Groups of fish received a single IP dose of E₂ (2.5 mg/kg), 4-NP (50 mg/kg), or p, p'-DDE (100 mg/kg). E₂ and 4-NP were dissolved in 1mL of 100% ethanol and then
10 diluted to the appropriate concentration with DMSO (Sigma, St. Louis, MO # 5879), whereas p, p'-DDE was dissolved directly in DMSO. Control fish received an IP injection of the ethanol/DMSO or DMSO diluent without any chemical. During the experimental period the fish were not fed.

15 The fish were euthanized 48 hours after the IP injection by addition of 50-100 parts per million (ppm) of tricaine methanesulfonate (MS-222) to the water followed by a sharp blow to the head and cervical transection. The livers were excised from the fish and immediately flash frozen with liquid nitrogen. Total RNA was extracted from the tissue samples using RNeasy affinity columns (Qiagen, Chatsworth, CA).

20 Labeling of RNA and hybridization was performed as described in Example 1. Detection and normalization was performed as described in Example 3. Transcript data were analyzed using linear regression and student t-tests (SigmaStat and SigmaPlot, Jandel, CA).

Results

25 Gene array technology has enabled researchers to analyze hundreds to thousands of genes on a single array. As a first step toward using array technology, the inter membrane variability between the gene arrays was determined. To accomplish this, aliquots of identical RNA samples were hybridized onto two separate membranes. A scatter plot correlating the intensity values for the cDNA clones between the two arrays
30 was generated. The data points in the graph cluster along a slope of one starting with the

low to the high expressed cDNA clones (R2 of 0.98). Similar results were observed in a replicate experiment.

In order to determine the specific expression profile of 132 unique genes in LMB exposed to E₂, or to the contaminants 4-NP and p, p'-DDE, hepatic total RNAs from exposed fish were radiolabeled and individually hybridized to separate membranes. Three separate fish were used for each treatment. A graphical representation of this data is shown in Fig. 5. Figure 5A illustrates the mean \pm SEM intensity values for each of the cDNA clones arranged in order of their expression; Fig. 5B illustrates the mean intensity values for each of the cDNA clones for E₂ divided by the mean intensity values of the respective cDNA clones from control fish. Only genes from any of the treatments (E₂, NP or DDE) that were 3 standard deviations from the mean (0.98 ± 0.41) of the 12 r-protein genes that were used as constitutive controls are shown. While there are a number of genes whose expression levels meet this criterion, only genes that exhibit a two-fold or greater change in expression were considered to be differentially regulated. A two-fold cutoff is commonly used by researchers to demarcate up or-down regulated genes for array experiments (Nagahama, Y. *Int. J. Dev. Biol.* 38:217-229, 1994; Lin and Peter, *Comp. Biochem. Physiol. B. Biochem. Mol. Biol.* 129:543-550, 2001). Of the 132 genes used on the array, 16 genes were up-regulated 2-fold or greater by E₂ including four Vtg genes, choriogenin 2, choriogenin 3, aspartic protease, protein disulfide isomerase, aldose reductase, and 7 unidentified clones designated 23-1, 24-1, 34-1, 92-1, 101-1, 132-2, and 136-1. Two genes were down-regulated two-fold or more by E₂ including transferrin and a clone designated 53-1.

Since the mode of action of p, p'-DDE has not been extensively characterized, the influences of this compound on the expression profiles of the 132 genes arrayed in both male and female fish was examined. In male fish (Fig. 7), four genes were up-regulated by p, p'-DDE including Vtg 1, Vtg 2, choriogenin 2, and choriogenin 3, whereas one gene, clone 47-2 was down-regulated. In female fish (Fig. 8) injected with p, p'-DDE, no genes were identified as up-regulated; however, 17 genes were down-regulated two-fold or greater. These included the four Vtg 's, aspartic protease, transferrin, chemotaxin, choriogenin 2, androgen receptor, and 8 unidentified clones designated 50-1, 53-1, 71-1, 101-1, 107-1, 118-1, 120-1, and 128-1.

Summaries of the genes whose expression increased or decreases more than 2-fold for each exposure are depicted in Fig. 9. Light shading indicates down-regulated genes while dark shading indicates up-regulated genes.

Example 5 – Altered Gene Expression In Liver of LMB Exposed To Androgens

Methods

Suppressive subtractive hybridization: Juvenile LMB were treated with a single 50 µl intraperitoneal (IP) injection of either a 2 µM solution of dihydrotestosterone (DHT) or progesterone in DMSO (~2.5 nmol/g BWT). Fish were euthanized four days later and their livers were removed. Hepatic polyA+ RNA was isolated from these samples and subtractive hybridizations (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA) were performed in one direction using DMSO as the driver. The subtracted gene pools were then cloned into pGEM T-Easy (Promega, Madison, WI) and sequenced. Clones were identified using tBlastx at the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI).

Gene arrays: cDNAs obtained from SSH were arrayed as previously described (Larkin et al., Marine Environ. Res. 54:395-399, 2002) and then hybridized with 33P-labeled single-stranded cDNAs isolated from adult male LMB treated with 62.5 µg/g DHT or 20 µg/g 11-ketotestosterone (11-KT) or vehicle (DMSO) (n=5 per treatment). For each cDNA clone, the general background of each membrane was subtracted from the average value of the duplicate spots on the membrane. The values were then normalized to the average value of seven cDNA clones specific to ribosomal genes and the fold change calculated by dividing the mean of each treatment by the mean of the control. Those genes which changed by 2-fold or more were graphed. Significant differences (p<0.05) were determined by ANOVA and secondary testing was done by using Tukey's LSD.

Results

The results are shown in Table 1. Genes that were the most elevated include Vtg 2, spermidine-spermine N¹-acetyltransferase (SSAT), and ZPCs 1 and 4, while the LDL receptor, RXR interacting protein, and Vtg receptor were the most decreased. While the patterns of regulation appeared similar for both androgens, some specific differences did occur. For instance, aspartic protease and glutathione peroxidase III were up- and down-regulated, respectively, by DHT alone. Conversely, a fish homolog to pituitary tumor

transforming protein (PTTP) and cystatin were up- and down-regulated, respectively by 11-KT alone. One gene that was up-regulated by both androgens was sSAT. This gene was shown to be unaffected by estradiol in the pig (Green et al., Biol. Reprod. 59:1251-1258, 1998).

5 Table 1 Genes Up/Down Regulated By 11-KT and DHT

			TREATED WITH	CHANGE
LOC	Gene ID	E-score	20MG/KG DHT	BY 11KT
D14	VTG PRECURSOR	1.33E-39	up	up
C13	SSAT	0	up	up
H7	EST SEASONAL 64	6.3	up	up
F2	97-8		up	NC
E12	EST SEASONAL 88	4	up	NC
O11	RIKEN 1110001M01	2.61E-05	up	up
B14	EST SEASONAL 62	9.04	up	up
B13	SOLUTE CARRIER	2.29E-37	up	up
F12	EST SEASONAL 56	1.7	up	NC
G13	RHAMNOSE BINDING LECTIN	1.00E-43	up	NC
J13	TFIIIA	1.20E-30	up	NC
H14	ZPC1	0	up	up
D13	EST SEASONAL 9	7.58	up	up
I14	ZPC4	2.58E-25	up	up
B8	EST SEASONAL 12		up	NC
I7	ASP PROT		up	NC
C14	UNNAMED PROTEIN	1.48E-36	up	NC
E3	ATPASE 6	3.17E-18	up	NC
F9	ATPASE SUBUNIT 6	5.13E-24	up	NC
M11	RETINOL DEHYDROGENASE	9.07E-38	up	up
K7	ATP SYNTHASE	1.35E-08	up	NC
K13	ESTP4_H07	2.16	up	up
O13	EST SEASONAL F21	0.82	down	down
F5	ESTDHT60	6.92	down	NC
L2	ALPHA 1 ANTITRYPSIN	2.80E-27	down	NC
D12	RIKEN 2700038C09	1.50E-04	down	NC
M4	EST SEASONAL 55	1.32	down	down
B2	53-1		down	NC
C2	68-1		down	NC
M5	IGF-I	7.50E-03	down	NC
D6	ESTP4_E06	6.7	down	NC
G9	ESTP4_C04	1.78	down	NC
I5	HAPTOGLOBIN	5.19E-28	down	NC
K2	ALDOLASE B	0	down	NC
C3	APOLIPOPROTEIN E	1.13E-26	down	NC
K12	EST SEASONAL 72	6.57	down	down
M2	ALPHA TUBULIN	2.93E-40	down	down
G5	GLUTATHIONE PEROXIDASE III	0	down	NC
K5	ESTP4_E01	3.43E+00	down	NC

L1	24-1		down	down
L14	ER GAMMA 5' 2F		down	down
J5	HEPCIDIN	2.49E-23	down	NC
L3	COMPLEMENT C3	3.20E-04	down	down
M12	TFIID (change to liver regeneration related protein)	1.88E-07	down	down
K11	EST SEASONAL 51	0.39	down	down
K1	GP3 11C		down	down
L11	RXR INTERACTING PROT	1.36E-09	down	down
M14	VTG RC		down	down
J10	LDL RC	1.62E-32	down	down
L9	EST SEASONAL 90		down	NC
N8	EST P4_D08		up	NC
O10	PTTP	3.12E-22	up	NC
D4	EST DHT64	0.322	up	NC
E14	warm water acclim	3.18E-12	up	up
L8	EST P4_06		up	NC
H10	EST SEASONAL 42	0.011	down	NC
B9	EST SEASONAL F17		down	NC
O6	EST SEASONAL 11	0.36	down	NC
O3	CYSTATIN	8.39E-05	down	NC

Example 6 – LMB And SHM Genes Up/down-regulated In Response to
Estrogenic Agents

Table II LMB Gene Regulation

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<u>LMB#</u>	<u>Gene ID</u>	<u>Differentially expressed by</u>
LMB_COMP FACTOR Bf/C2	Putative complement factor Bf/C2	
LMB_ABMP	ABMP precursor	
LMB_GLUT-PEROX III	Glutathione peroxidase III	Dn-reg DHT
LMB_Srnp D1	Small ribonucleoprotein D1 polypeptide (16kD)	
LMB_RIBO L6	Ribosomal protein L6	
LMB_MYOSIN LIGHT	myosin regulatory light chain	
LMB_ZPC1	ZPC1	up-reg DHT;11-KT
LMB_CYTO-C OX 1	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit I	
LMB_LLECTIN STL2	Rhamnose binding lectin STL2	up-reg DHT
LMB_EMAP2	Echinoderm microtubule associated protein like 2	

LMB_ALDOLASE-B	Aldolase b	
LMB_RIBO L7A	60S ribosomal protein L7A	
LMB_PROTHROMBIN	Prothrombin precursor	
LMB_SSAT	SSAT	up-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_COMPLEMENT-C3	Complement C3 precursor	Dn-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_RIBO L7	Ribosomal protein L7	
LMB_H-ATPASE-SUBUNIT	H ⁺ -ATPase subunit, oligomycin sensitivity conferring protein	
LMB_RIBO L23A	Ribosomal protein L23a	
LMB_ALPHA-TUBULIN	alpha tubulin	Dn-reg 11-kt; DHT
LMB_RIBO-Sa	40S ribosomal protein Sa	
LMB_VTG	Vitellogenin prcursor	
LMB_NASCENT-POLYPEP	Nascent polypeptide-associated complex, alpha polypeptide	
LMB_ApoH	Apolipoprotein H	
LMB_TBT-BP	TBT-binding protein	
LMB_SOL-CAR-25A#5	solute carrier family 25 alpha member 5	up-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_UNNAMED-PROTEIN	Unnamed protein product	
LMB_FIB-B-SUBUNIT	Fibrinogen B subunit	
LMB_CIS-RETIN DEHYDRO	cis-retinol dehydrogenase	up-reg DHT
LMB_SENES-ASSOC PROTEIN	Putative senescence-associated protein	
LMB_LDL RC	LDL receptor	Dn-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_ABC-TRANS	ABC transporter	
LMB_CATHEPSIN B	Cathepsin B	
LMB_SERPIN-CP9	Serpin CP9	
LMB_TFIIIA	Transcription factor IIIA (TFIIIA)	
LMB_ANTITHROMBIN III	Antithrombin III	
LMB_RIKEN 1810056020	RIKEN cDNA 1810056020	
LMB_WEE-I	Wee I tyrosine kinase	
LMB_HAPTOGLOBIN	Haptoglobin	Dn-reg DHT

LMB_APOA-I	APOPLIPOPROTEIN A-I	
LMB_ALPHA-1 ANTITRYPSIN	alpha -1 antitrypsin homolog precursor	Dn-reg DHT
LMB_APOE	Apolipoprotein E	
LMB_ZPC4	ZPC4	up-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_LECTIN 9	C-type lectin superfamily 9	
LMB_ATPASE 6	ATPase subunit 6	up-reg DHT
LMB_ITI	inter-alpha-trypsin inhibitor "ITI"	
LMB_EIF-3#7	Eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3 subunit 7	
LMB_HEPCIDIN	Hepcidin precursor	dn-reg DHT
LMB_PTP	Pituitary tumor transforming protein	
LMB_TOXIN-1	Toxin-1	
LMB_COAG FACTOR VII	Coagulation factor VII	
LMB_CDC42-2	cdc 42 isoform 2	
LMB_WARM-WATER ACC PROTEIN	Warm water acclimation- related protein	up-reg 11-KT
LMB_CYTO-C OX II	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit II	
LMB_L10A	60S ribosomal protein L10A	
LMB_KALLIKREIN	Kallikrein	
LMB_DANIO EST 3818635	Danio EST IMAGE:3818635	
LMB_ALPHA-2- MACROGLOB-1	alpha-2-macroglobulin-1	
LMB_HAPTOGLOB RELATED PROT	Haptoglobin-related protein	
LMB_FILAMEN-B	Filamen B	
LMB_UBIQUITIN	ubiquitin	
LMB_RXR INTERACT PROT	Retinoid X receptor interacting protein	Dn-reg 11- KT; DHT
LMB_MITOCHON- ATP-SYNTHASE	ATP synthase alpha chain mitochondrial precursor	up-reg DHT
LMB_TATA BOX BP	TATA-box binding protein	
LMB_DIFF-REG TROUT PROT-1	Differentially regulated trout protein 1	
LMB_LIVER-REGEN- REL PROT	liver regeneration related protein	
LMB_SERPIN-2B	Serpin 2b	
LMB_APO-A1	Apolipoprotein A-I-1 precursor	

LMB_M-PHASE PROT 6	M-phase phosphoprotein 6	
LMB_PROSTAGLAND-D-SYNTHASE	Prostaglandin D synthase-like protein (lipocalin type)	
LMB_LYRIC	LYRIC	
LMB_CYSTATIN-PREC	Cystatin precursor	Dn-reg 11-KT
LMB_RIKEN 2700038	RIKEN cDNA 2700038	
LMB_DIAZEPAM-BINDING INHIB	Membrane associated diazepam-binding inhibitor	
LMB_IGF-I	IGF-I	
LMB_ESTP4_D11	ESTP4_D11	
LMB_ESTDHT_6	ESTDHT_6	
LMB_ESTDHT_7	ESTDHT_7	
LMB_ESTDHT_13	ESTDHT_13	
LMB_ESTDHT_50	ESTDHT_50	
LMB_ESTDHT_51	ESTDHT_51	
LMB_ESTDHT_53	ESTDHT_53	
LMB_ESTDHT_60	ESTDHT_60	
LMB_ESTDHT_62	ESTDHT_62	up-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_ESTDHT_68	ESTDHT_68	
LMB_ESTDHT_69	ESTDHT_69	
LMB_ESTP4_A02	ESTP4_A02	
LMB_ESTP4_B03	ESTP4_B03	
LMB_ESTP4_B04	ESTP4_B04	
LMB_ESTP4_B07	ESTP4_B07	
LMB_ESTP4_B08	ESTP4_B08	
LMB_ESTP4_B09	ESTP4_B09	
LMB_ESTP4_C03	ESTP4_C03	
LMB_ESTP4_C04	ESTP4_C04	
LMB_ESTP4_C06	ESTP4_C06	
LMB_ESTP4_D04	ESTP4_D04	
LMB_ESTP4_D08	ESTP4_D08	
LMB_ESTP4_D10	ESTP4_D10	

LMB_ESTP4_E01	ESTP4_E01	
LMB_ESTP4_E03	ESTP4_E03	
LMB_ESTP4_E06	ESTP4_E06	
LMB_ESTP4_E08	ESTP4_E08	
LMB_ESTP4_E12	ESTP4_E12	
LMB_ESTP4_F06	ESTP4_F06	
LMB_ESTP4_G06	ESTP4_G06	
LMB_ESTP4_G11	ESTP4_G11	
LMB_ESTP4_H02	ESTP4_H02	
LMB_ESTP4_H04	ESTP4_H04	
LMB_ESTP4_H05	ESTP4_H05	
LMB_ESTP4_H07	ESTP4_H07	
LMB_ESTP4_H08	ESTP4_H08	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_02	EST-SEASONAL_02	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_03	EST-SEASONAL_03	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_04	EST-SEASONAL_04	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_06	EST-SEASONAL_06	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_09	EST-SEASONAL_09	up-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_11	EST-SEASONAL_11	dn-reg 11-KT
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_12	EST-SEASONAL_12	up-reg DHT
LMB_EST-SEASONAL-14	EST-SEASONAL-14	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_16	EST-SEASONAL_16	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_17	EST-SEASONAL_17	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_22	EST-SEASONAL_22	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_51	EST-SEASONAL_51	dn 11-KT; DHT
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_52	EST-SEASONAL_52	

LMB_EST-SEASONAL_54	EST-SEASONAL_54	
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_55	EST-SEASONAL_55	Dn-reg 11-KT; DHT
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_56	EST-SEASONAL_56	up-reg DHT;
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_58	EST-SEASONAL_58	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_59	EST-SEASONAL_59	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_61	EST-SEASONAL_61	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_62	EST-SEASONAL_62	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_64	EST-SEASONAL_64	up-reg DHT;11KT
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_68	EST-SEASONAL_68	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_70	EST-SEASONAL_70	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_71	EST-SEASONAL_71	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_72	EST-SEASONAL_72	Dn-reg DHT; 11KT
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_75	EST-SEASONAL_75	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_77	EST-SEASONAL_77	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_85	EST-SEASONAL_85	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_88	EST-SEASONAL_88	up-reg DHT;
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_90	EST-SEASONAL_90	dn-reg DHT
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_92	EST-SEASONAL_92	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_97	EST-SEASONAL_97	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_F11	EST-SEASONAL_F11	
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_F17	EST-SEASONAL_F17	Dn-reg 11-KT
LMB_EST--SEASONAL_F21	EST-SEASONAL_F21	Dn-reg DHT
LMB_ER-ALPHA	ESTROGEN RECEPTOR ALPHA	up-reg E2; NP
LMB_ER-BETA	ESTROGEN RECEPTOR BETA	

LMB_ER-GAMMA	ESTROGEN RECEPTOR GAMMA	Dn-reg 11-KT; up-reg E2
LMB_STAR	STAR PROTEIN	up-reg cAMP; dn-reg b-sitosterol
LMB_SF1	SF1 PROTEIN FRAGMENT	
LMB_ESTP4-E01	LMB_ESTP4-E01	down by DHT
LMB_ESTDHT64	LMB_ESTDHT64	up by 11KT
LMB_LIV-REGER-PROT	LMB_LIV-REGER-PROT	down by DHT
LMB_RIKEN 1110001M01	LMB_RIKEN 1110001M01	up by 11KT; DHT
LMB_EST-SEASONALf17	LMB_EST-SEASONALf17	down by 11KT
LMB1-3	unknown	
LMB2-2	unknown	
LMB3-1	unknown	
LMB4-1	unknown	
LMB5	vitellogenin-2A	Up reg E2; NP; Dn-reg DDE(F)
LMB6-1	AMBP protein precursor	
LMB7-1	Unknown	
LMB8-2	Unknown	
LMB9-1	Unknown	
LMB10-1	Unknown	
LMB11-2	Unknown	
LMB12-1	Zebrafish Oligosaccharyl transferase integral membrane protein	
LMB13-2	Unknown	
LMB14-1	Unknown	
LMB15-1	NADH dehydrogenase subunit 1	
LMB16-2	unknown	
LMB17-2	Mitochondrial control region	
LMB18-3	unknown	

LMB19-1	Insulin like growth factor	
LMB20-1	unknown	
LMB21-1	unknown	
LMB22-1	unknown	
LMB23-1	unknown	Up-reg E2
LMB24-1	Unknown	Up-reg E2, dn-reg DHT; 11-KT
LMB25-1	Ribosomal porotein S8	
LMB26-1	Transferrin	
LMB27-1	unknown	
LMB28-2	unknown	
LMB29-2	unknown	
LMB30-1	unknown	
LMB31	choriogenin	
LMB32-1	G-box binding factor (bacteria)	
LMB33-1	unknown	
LMB34-1	unknown	up-reg E2
LMB35-1	unknown	
LMB36-1	hypothetical protein	
LMB37-1	unknown	
LMB38-1	40S ribosomal protein S2	
LMB39-1	unknown	
LMB40-1	alport syndrome chrom region gene	
LMB41-1	ribosomal protein L8	

LMB42-1	Gamma fibrinogen	
LMB43-1	FK506 binding protein, immunophilin	
LMB44-1	Dynein heavy chain	
LMB45-1	vitellogenin A	
LMB46-1	unknown	
LMB47-2	unknown	Down-reg DDE(M)
LMB48-1	elongation factor 1 beta	
LMB49-1	40S ribosomal protein S15	
LMB50-1	unknown	Down reg NP; DDE(F)
LMB51-1	unknown	
LMB52-1	unknown	
LMB53-1	unknown	Down-reg. E2; DDE (F); DHT
LMB54-2	L4 ribosomal	
LMB55-1	L4 ribosomal	
LMB56-1	40S ribosomal	
LMB57	ADP,ATP translocase	
LMB58-1	ribosomal L21	
LMB59-1	Unknown	
LMB60-1	unknown, AK010552	
LMB61-1	unknown	
LMB63-1	unknown	
LMB64-1	unknown	

LMB65-1	unknown	
LMB66-1	unknown	
LMB67-1	signal peptidase, endopeptidase	Up-reg NP
LMB68-1	hypothetical protein	Dn-reg DHT
LMB69-2	unknown	
LMB70-2	NADH dehydrogenase subunit 1	
LMB71-1	unknown	down-reg DDE (F)
LMB72-1	unknown	
LMB73-1	NADH dehydrogenase subunit 1	
LMB74-3	unknown	
LMB75-1	40S ribosomal	
LMB76-2	unknown	
LMB77-1	unknown	
LMB78-1	unknown	
LMB79-2	unknown	
LMB80-1	unknown	
LMB81-1	unknown	
LMB82-1	unknown	
LMB83	vitellogenin-2	up-reg E2; NP; DDE(M); dn-reg DDE(F)
LMB84-1	STAR	
LMB85-1	CYP1A	
LMB86-1	ribosomal protein L28	
LMB87	vitellogenin-1	up-reg E2; NP; DDE(M); dn-reg DDE(F)
LMB88-1	unknown	

LMB89-1	glucocorticoid receptor	
LMB90-1	unknown	
LMB91-1	unknown	
LMB92-1	unknown	up-reg E2;NP
LMB93-1	estrogen receptor gamma	
LMB94-1	transferrin	Down-reg. E2;NP; DDE in F
LMB95-1	CAP-rich Zinc finger protein	
LMB96-1	unknown	
LMB97	choriogenin-3	Up-reg E2; NP; DDE(M); DHT
LMB98-1	estrogen receptor beta	
LMB99-1	estrogen receptor alpha	
LMB100-1	ribosomal protein L5	
LMB101-1	unknown	Up-reg E2, Dn for DDE(F)
LMB102-1	chemotaxin	down-reg DDE (F)
LMB103-1	proteosome subunit 9	
LMB104-3	60S ribosomal protein L13	
LMB105-1	unknown	
LMB107-1	unknown	down-reg DDE (F)

LMB108-1	choriogenin-2	Up-reg E2; NP; DDE(M); Dn-reg DDE (F)
LMB109-1	40S ribosomal protein S3A	
LMB110-1	Methionine sulfoxide reductase	
LMB112-1	cathepsin (Aspartic protease)	up-reg E; NP; DHT; Dn- DDE (F)
LMB116-1	aldose reductase	up-reg E2
LMB118-1	apolipoprotein precursor	down-reg DDE (F)
LMB120-1	hypothetical protein	down-reg DDE (F)
LMB121-1	TBT binding protein	
LMB122-1	alpha2-HS glycoprotein	
LMB123-1	Urocanase	
LMB128-1	unknown	down-reg DDE (F)
LMB129-1	unknown	
LMB130-1	secreted phosphoprotein precursor	
LMB132-1	integrin beta	up-reg E2
LMB133-1	unknown	
LMB134-3	unknown	

LMB135	protein disulfide isomerase	up-reg E2
LMB136-1	protein disulfide isomerase like	up-reg E2
LMB137-2	unknown	
LMB138-1	unknown	
LMB139-1	apolipoprotein C2	
LMB140-1	unknown	
LMB141	vitellogenin-3	up reg E2; NP, dn DDE (F)
LMB142-1	hypothetical protein (FLJ10530)	
LMB144-1	vitellogenin like	
LMB150	androgen receptor	Dn-reg DDE(F)
LMB151	vitellogenin receptor	Dn-reg Dht- 11-KT

Table III SHM Gene Regulation

Clone ID	Identity	E value	Regulation
SHM IK 7A	40 S ribosomal protein S17 (Ictalurus punctatus)	2.00E-39	
SHM IK 24E	similar to ribosomal protein L37a, cytosolic	4.00E-34	
SHM IK 25C	ribosomal protein L5	5 E-05	
SHM IK 5D	60 S ribosomal protein L8	5.00E-26	
SHM IKIGF-1	IGF I		
SHM IKIGF-2	IGF 2		
Female Test (SSH)			
ndSHM-FT1-A03	sertotransferrin precursor (O. Latipes)	1.00E-99	
ndSHM-FT1-A09	putative transmembrane 4 superfamily member protein	7.88E-08	up-reg- E2

ndSHM-FT1-A10	unknown		up-reg-E2
ndSHM-FT1-A11	phospholipid hydroperoxide glutathione peroxidase	5.61E-44	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-A12	sertotransferrin precursor (O. Latipes)	3.90E-35	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-B03	Unknown		
ndSHM-FT1-B07	Similar to aldehyde dehydrogenase 7 family, member A1	0	
ndSHM-FT1-B10	cytochrome b [Orestias silustani]	0	
ndSHM-FT1-C01	Similar to high mobility group box 1 [Danio rerio]	0	
ndSHM-FT1-C03	perforin 1 (pore forming protein) human,,	2.00E-19	up reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-C04	Prostaglandin D Synthase [Xenopus laevis]	1.01E-05	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-C09	endoplasmic reticulum lumenal L-amino acid oxidase	0	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-D06	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-D10	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-D12	unknown		dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-E01	probable complement regulatory plasma protein SB1 -	2.79E-09	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-E02	Cytochrome C oxidase subunit II	2.00E-62	
ndSHM-FT1-E08	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-E09	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-E12	Similar to chitinase, (D. rerio)	1.00E-83	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-F01	leucine-rich alpha-2-glycoprotein [Homo sapiens]	3.29E-13	
ndSHM-FT1-F06	complement component C3 [Paralichthys olivaceus]	0	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-F09	solute carrier family 27 (fatty acid transporter), member	6.13E-19	
ndSHM-FT1-F10	beta hemoglobin A [Seriola quinqueradiata]	1.00E-42	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-F11	unknown		dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-F12			up reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-G02	unknown		
ndSHM-FT1-G04	Unknown	2.15847	up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-G08	endoplasmic reticulum lumenal L-amino acid oxidase	0	
ndSHM-FT1-H02	FUGRU complement component C9 precursor	3.00E-16	
ndSHM-FT1-H03	35 kDa serum lectin [Xenopus laevis]	1.85E-35	
ndSHM-FT1-H04	Similar to chitinase, acidid (D. rerio)	4.00E-83	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-H06	SPI-2 serine protease inhibitor (AA 1-407) [Rattus no	1.97E-09	
ndSHM-FT1-H07	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-H10	Unknown		
ndSHM-FT1-H11	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-FT1-H12	beta hemoglobin A	1.40E-45	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-A02	Liver basic fatty acid bp	2.00E-43	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-A03	Polyadenylate-binding protein 1	0	
ndSHM-MC1-A04	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-A05	beta galactosidase/ubiquitin fusion protein	3.00E-44	
ndSHM-MC1-A07	Orla C3 (O. latipes)	9.00E-38	

ndSHM-MC1-A09	alpha-2-macroglobulin 2 (C. carpio)	2.00E-06	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-A11	alpha-1-antitrypsin [Sphenodon punctatus]	1.27E-11	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-B01	unknown		dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-B03	cytochrome c oxidase, subunit Va	0	
ndSHM-MC1-B04	KIAA0018 protein [Homo sapiens]	9.29E-35	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-B05	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-B08	complement component C5-1 [Cyprinus carpio]	5.61E-30	
ndSHM-MC1-B10	Serotransferrin precursor >gi 1814091 dbj BAA10901.1	2.00E-39	
ndSHM-MC1-B11	fibrinogen, B beta polypeptide	2.80E-45	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-C02	Similar to fibrinogen, gamma polypeptide [Danio rerio]	4.06E-41	up-reg-field
			dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-C04	4-hydroxyphenylpyruvate-dioxygenase	0	
ndSHM-MC1-C05	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-C08	serine proteinase inhibitor CP9 - common carp	8.08E-39	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-C10	prothrombin precursor [Takifugu rubripes]	0	
ndSHM-MC1-D01			
ndSHM-MC1-D02	ATPase, H ⁺ transporting, lysosomal,	1.47E-25	
ndSHM-MC1-D03	fatty acid binding protein 2, hepatic (Japanese seaperch)	2.00E-58	up-reg-field
ndSHM-MC1-D04	Proteasome Regulatory Particle, ATPase-like	0	
ndSHM-MC1-D06	expressed sequence AL022852 [Mus musculus]	1.63E-21	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-D10	Scavenger receptor with C/type lectine type I (Human)	5.00E-14	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-E01	similar to monocarboxylate transporter 6	2.73E-17	
ndSHM-MC1-E05	elastase 4 precursor [Paralichthys]	0	up-reg field
ndSHM-MC1-E06	Unknown		
ndSHM-MC1-E08	pre alpha inhibitor heavy chain 3 rat	3.00E-14	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-E10	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-E12	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-F01	similar to charged amino acid rich leucine zipper factor-1	1.83E-11	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-F02	chemotaxis (O. mykiss)	2.00E-60	
ndSHM-MC1-F03	dendritic cell protein [Homo sapiens]	0	
ndSHM-MC1-F06	Chain A, Alcohol Dehydrogenase	0	
ndSHM-MC1-F11	17-beta-hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase type IV	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-F12	interferon induced protein 2 [Ictalurus punctatus]	2.49E-07	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-G01	Alcohol dehydrogenase >gi 482344	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-G02	14kDa apolipoprotein [Anguilla japonica]	1.45E-16	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-G03	serine (or cysteine) proteinase inhibitor, clade F	1.14E-29	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-G04	ribosomal protein XL1a - African clawed frog	0	
ndSHM-MC1-G05	microfibrillar-associated protein 4	3.27E-13	
ndSHM-MC1-G07	apolipoprotein E [Scophthalmus maximus]	4.21E-37	

ndSHM-MC1-G11	aldehyde reductase AFAR2 subunit [Rattus norvegicus]	3.34E-36	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-G12	Similar to RIKEN cDNA 1300018K11 gene [Homo sapiens]	4.21E-12	
ndSHM-MC1-H02	unknown		
ndSHM-MC1-H03	complement factor B/C2B (O. mykiss)	8.00E-28	
ndSHM-MC1-H04	similar to ribosomal protein S25, cytosolic [validated] -	1.07E-23	up-reg field
ndSHM-MC1-H06	unnamed protein product [Homo sapiens]	0.000421546	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-H08	peroxisomal proliferator-activated receptor beta1 [Salmo salar]	2.00E-08	
ndSHM-MC1-H09	Ligand-gated ionic channel family member	1.93158	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-H10	unknown	3.75692	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MC1-H12	Similar to sperm associated antigen 7 [Homo sapiens]	4.36E-18	
Male Test SSH			
ndSHM-MT1-A02	chicken fatty acid binding protein	3.00E-52	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-A03	warm temperature acclimation related 65 kDa protein (O. latipes)	6.00E-40	
ndSHM-MT1-A05	Transducin beta/like 2 protein	e-107	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-B09	putative mitochondrial inner membrane protease subunit (Human)	1.00E-34	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-C05	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-C08	vitellogenin I [Cyprinodon variegatus]	6.89E-43	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-D04	WS beta-transducin repeats protein [Homo sapiens]	1.87E-05	
ndSHM-MT1-D05	mesau serum amyloid A/3 protein precursor	5.00E-25	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-D07	vitellogenin (Sillago japonica)	8.00E-78	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-E02	40 S ribosomal protein S3	E-105	
ndSHM-MT1-E03	Similar to transducin (beta)-like 2 [Xenopus laevis]	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-E05	Predicted CDS, seven TM Receptor S	3.00782	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MT1-F11	Similar to transducin (beta)-like 2 [Xenopus laevis]	1.42E-16	
ndSHM-MT1-G03	60S ribosomal protein L10a >g	2.40E-38	
ndSHM-MT1-H05	Similar to transducin (beta)-like 2 [Xenopus laevis]	0	
METHOXYCHLOR-CONTROL SSH			
ndSHM-MXCc1-A04	Protein involved in recombination repair, homologous to S. pombe rad18.	0.0928205	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-A09	no hit		
ndSHM-MXCc1-A10	KIAA0096 gene product is related to a protein kinase.	5.62E-12	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-A11	alpha s HS glycogrotein (Platichthys flesus)	1.00E-47	
ndSHM-MXCc1-B02	dodecenoyl-Coenzyme A delta isomerase	3.82E-37	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-B03	cytochrome P450 3A56 [Fundulus heteroclitus]	0	up-reg field
ndSHM-MXCc1-B04	kallistatin [Rattus norvegicus]	4.93156	up-reg E2

ndSHM-MXCc1-B06	Fibrinogen beta chain precursor [Contains: Fibrinopeptide B]	5.78E-24	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-B07	Apolipoprotein A/I precursor (sparus aurata)	5.00E-25	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-B08	Similar to retinol dehydrogenase type III [Danio rerio]	4.16E-32	
ndSHM-MXCc1-C04	Beta-2-glycoprotein I precursor (Apolipoprotein H) (1.92E-11	
ndSHM-MXCc1-C06	tyrosine kinase [Gallus gallus]	1.31312	
ndSHM-MXCc1-C11	ceruloplasmin [Danio rerio]	0	up-reg field
ndSHM-MXCc1-D03	vitellogenin I precursor (Mummichog)	4.00E-51	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-D04	hypothetical protein [Ferroplasma acidarmanus]	0.826071	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-D05	cytochrome c oxidase subunit I [Engraulis japonicus]	8.28E-35	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-D08	no hit		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-D10	Immunoglobulin domain-containing protein family	0.991091	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-D12	hypothetical protein [Plasmodium falciparum 3D7]	8.1324	
ndSHM-MXCc1-E01	hypothetical protein [Magnetospirillum magnetotacticum]	0.61028	
ndSHM-MXCc1-E09	unknown protein		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-E11	sorting nexin 11 [Homo sapiens]	0	
ndSHM-MXCc1-F01	vitellogenin B (M. aeglefinus)	6.00E-16	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-F03	warm-temperature-acclimation-related-protein- [Oryzias latipes]	6.25E-25	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-F07	UDP-glucose pyrophosphorylase [Gallus gallus]	0	
ndSHM-MXCc1-F10	interferon-related developmental regulator 1 [Mus musculus]	6.68E-39	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-G02	unknown protein	0.202018	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-G03	thyroid hormone receptor interactor 12;	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-G04	Putative ribosomal protein L21	0	
ndSHM-MXCc1-G12	putative delata 6-desaturase [Oncorhynchus masou]	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCc1-H05	complement control protein factor I-A [Cyprinus carpio]	1.72E-23	
ndSHM-MXCc1-H09	ATP synthase 6	3.00E-23	
METHOXYCHLOR TEST SSH			
ndSHM-MXCt1-B05	rat liver regeneration related protein	1.00E-48	

ndSHM-MXCt1-B08	BH2041~unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]	6.52356	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCt1-C02	lysophospholipase (Rat)	1.00E-36	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCt1-C11	Unknown protein for MGC:63946 (D. rerio)	3.00E-29	
ndSHM-MXCt1-D09	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCt1-E04	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCt1-E06	CG4198-PA [Drosophila melanogaster]	0.385852	
ndSHM-MXCt1-E09	PROBABLE IRON OXIDASE PRECURSOR OXIDOREDUCTASE PROTEIN	3.15365	
ndSHM-MXCt1-E12	Vitellogenin I precursor (VTG I) [Contains: Lipovitellin 1 (0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCt1-F11	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-MXCt1-G03	Unknown		
ndSHM-MXCt1-H03	miro2 pending protein	4.00E-60	
ndSHM-MXCt1-H09	Group XIII secretory phospholipase A2 precursor	6.05E-40	up-reg E2
NONYLPHENOL CONTROL SSH			
ndSHM-NPc1-A12	unknown		
ndSHM-NPc1-B01	NADH subunit 1 [Cyprinodon variegatus]	2.80E-45	up-reg field
ndSHM-NPc1-B08	Chain A, Complex Of The Catalytic Portion Of Human	1.20E-15	up-reg field
ndSHM-NPc1-B09	calreticulin [Danio rerio] >gi 6470259 gb	0	
ndSHM-NPc1-C04	hypothetical protein APE0566 -	0.667761	
ndSHM-NPc1-C06	Vitellogenin II precursor (VTG II) [Fundulus heteroclitus]	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-C11	translation elongation factor 1-alpha [Stylonychia mytilus]	7.14E-10	
ndSHM-NPc1-E01	vitellogenin I [Cyprinodon variegatus]	1.20E-33	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-E06	Unknown		
ndSHM-NPc1-E11	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-F01	ubiquitin A-52 residue ribosomal protein [Homo sapiens]	2.00E-37	
ndSHM-NPc1-F05	vitellogenin A [Melanogrammus aeglefinus]	0.000293022	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-F06	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-F07	LFA-3(delta TM) [Ovis sp.]	0.0763225	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-F08	CG32659-PA [Drosophila melanogaster]	0.0316684	
ndSHM-NPc1-G02	ribophorin I [Danio rerio]	0	
ndSHM-NPc1-G08	KIAA1560 protein [Homo sapiens]	6.27E-38	
ndSHM-NPc1-G11	ATP synthase alpha chain, mitochondrial precursor	1.29E-23	
ndSHM-NPc1-H01	similar to Tho2 [Homo sapiens] [Rattus norvegicus]	2.32887	
ndSHM-NPc1-H02	Transporter, truncation [Streptococcus pneumoniae R6]	5.24069	up-reg E2

ndSHM-NPc1-H03	Hemoglobin beta chain >gi 7439519 pir S70614	1.2944	
ndSHM-NPc1-H04	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPc1-H05	Cytochrome c >gi 65467 pir C	3.47E-32	
ndSHM-NPc1-H08	choriogenin L (<i>O. latipes</i>)	1.00E-70	up-reg E2
NONYLPHENOL TEST SSH			
ndSHM-NPt1-A01	RIFIN [<i>Plasmodium falciparum</i> 3D7] >gi 23498329 e	1.79528	
ndSHM-NPt1-A02	P0699H05.18 [<i>Oryza sativa</i> (japonica cultivar-group)]	0.244655	
ndSHM-NPt1-A03	hypothetical aminotransferase [<i>Bradyrhizobium japonicum</i>]	0.421189	
ndSHM-NPt1-A04	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-A05	serum amyloid A protein [<i>Holothuria glaberrima</i>]	9.34E-14	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-A08	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-A09	DNAse II homolog F09G8.2 [<i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i>]	0.656008	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-B02	similar to peroxisomal long-chain acyl-coA thioesterase; peroxisomal long-chain acyl-coA thioesterase ; putative protein [<i>Homo sapiens</i>]	2.30E-17	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-B03	choriogenin Hminor [<i>Oryzias latipes</i>]	1.52E-14	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-B05	tryptophan 2,3 dioxygenase	1.00E-60	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-B06	ATP synthase 6 (<i>Pomacentrus trilineatus</i>)	2.00E-23	
ndSHM-NPt1-B07	unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-B11	embryonic epidermal lectin (<i>X. laevis</i>)	4.00E-42	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-B12	perlecan (heparan sulfate proteoglycan 2	2.00E-31	
ndSHM-NPt1-C01	immunoglobulin light chain [<i>Seriola quinqueradiata</i>]	1.38E-14	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-C03	cytochrome c oxidase subunit I [<i>Arcos</i> sp. KU-149] >gi 25006169 dbj BAC23776.1 cytochrome c oxidase subunit I [<i>Arcos</i> sp. KU-149]	0	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-C05	C9 protein [<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>]	8.96E-18	
ndSHM-NPt1-C06	pentraxin [<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>]	9.55E-15	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-C09	Very-long-chain acyl-CoA synthetase (Very-long-chain-fatty-acid-CoA ligase) >gi 2645721 gb AAB87982.1 very-long-chain acyl-CoA synthetase [<i>Mus musculus</i>]	1.09E-13	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-C12	dihydroorotate dehydrogenase electron transfer subunit [<i>Clostridium tetani</i> E88] >gi 28204415 gb AAO36853.1 dihydroorotate dehydrogenase electron transfer subunit [<i>Clostridium tetani</i> E88]	5.60255	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-D04	hypothetical protein [<i>Plasmodium yoelii yoelii</i>]	1.69055	
ndSHM-NPt1-D05	Deoxyribonuclease II precursor (DNase II) (Acid DNase) (Lysosomal DNase II) >gi 7513450 pir JE0205 deoxyribonuclease II (EC 3.1.22.1) - pig >gi 3157444 emb CAA04717.1	3.09E-16	

	Deoxyribonuclease II [Sus scrofa] >gi 3309153 gb AAC39263.1 deoxyribonuclease II [Sus scrofa]		
ndSHM-NPt1-D07	egg envelope protein winter flounder	4.00E-41	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-D07	similar to olfactory receptor MOR149-1 [Mus musculus]	4.09975	dn-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-D09	CG31752-PA [Drosophila melanogaster] >gi 22946779 gb AAN11014.1 AE003660_32 CG31752-PA [Drosophila melanogaster]	1.73966	
ndSHM-NPt1-D11	Fibrinogen alpha (Rattus)	5.00E-05	up-reg field
ndSHM-NPt1-E02	heparin cofactor II [Danio rerio]	0	
ndSHM-NPt1-E03	F1F0-type ATP synthase subunit g [Homo sapiens]	3.32E-22	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-E06	unknown		
ndSHM-NPt1-E07	hypothetical protein XP_215519 [Rattus norvegicus]	5.42E-09	
ndSHM-NPt1-E12	6.2 kd protein [Homo sapiens] >gi 12643829 sp Q9P0U1 OM07_HUMAN Probable mitochondrial import receptor subunit TOM7 homolog (Translocase of outer membrane 7 kDa subunit homolog) (Protein AD-014) >gi 7688665 gb AAF67473.1 AF150733_1 AD-014 protein [Homo sapiens] >gi 12804619 gb AAH01732.1 AAH01732 6.2 kd protein [Homo sapiens]	1.75E-21	
ndSHM-NPt1-F01	hepatocyte growth factor activator [Rattus norvegicus]	5.12E-17	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-F05	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-F07	complement component C9 [Paralichthys olivaceus]	4.46E-34	up-reg field
ndSHM-NPt1-F11	alanine-glyoxylate aminotransferase 2 [Homo sapiens] >gi 17432913 sp Q9BYV1 AGT2_HUMAN Alanine--glyoxylate aminotransferase 2, mitochondrial precursor (AGT 2) (Beta- alanine-pyruvate aminotransferase) (Beta- ALAAAT II) >gi 12406973 emb CAC24841.1 alanine-glyoxylate aminotransferase 2 [Homo sapiens]	3.01E-28	
ndSHM-NPt1-G03	KIAA1657 protein [Homo sapiens]	8.65698	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-G07	Unknown		up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-G08	choriogenin H [Oryzias latipes]	3.54E-09	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-G11	glucose-6-phosphatase, catalytic; Glucose- 6-phosphatase [Rattus norvegicus] >gi 567864 gb AAA74381.1 glucose-6- phosphatase	7.73E-09	up-reg field
ndSHM-NPt1-G12	Orla C4 [Oryzias latipes]	1.04E-36	up-reg E2
ndSHM-NPt1-H03	N-acetylneuraminate pyruvate lyase [Mus musculus] >gi 12832930 dbj BAB22314.1 unnamed protein product [Mus musculus] >gi 18490967 gb AAH22734.1 RIKEN cDNA 0610033B02 gene [Mus musculus] >gi 26353976 dbj BAC40618.1 unnamed	3.50E-17	

	protein product [Mus musculus]		
ndSHM-NPt1-H04	apolipoprotein B - Atlantic salmon (fragment) >gi 854620 emb CAA57449.1 apolipoprotein B [Salmo salar]	1.14E-10	up-reg field
ndSHM-NPt1-H11	putative aryl-CoA ligase EncN [Streptomyces maritimus]	0.513537	
MALE/FEMALE UNSUBTRACTED			
SHM-D03	cytochrome P450 (Ictalurus punctatus)	3.00E-36	up-reg E2; field
SHM-D02	unknown		up-reg E2
SHM-B02	retinol binding protein 4 (D. rerio)	1.00E-17	
SHM-B07	ribosomal protein L35 (galus)	2.00E-08	
SHM-B06	unknown		up-reg E2
SHM-B12	Similar to 60S ribosomal protein L18A (D. rerio)	3.00E-40	
SHM-C03	ribosomal protein P2 (I. punctatus)	3.00E-21	
SHM-C07	C type lectin s (O. mykiss)	2.00E-11	dn-reg E2
SHM-E04	similar to 60S ribosomal protein L21	2.00E-15	
SHM-D06	unknown protein for MGC:64127 (D. rerio)	6.00E-68	up-reg E2
SHM-E01	G protein B subunit (Ambystoma tigrinum)	2.00E-25	
SHM-E07	precerebellin like protein (O. mykiss)	7.00E-27	
SHM-A06	AMBP protein precursor microglobulin	3.00E-30	
SHM-E02	Natural killer cel enhancement factor (O. mykiss)	8.00E-31	
SHM-C05	unknown		up-reg field
SHM-B10	Similar to ribosomal protein L10 (D. rerio)	1.00E-28	
SHM-D12	unknown		
SHM-C01	unknown		
SHM1	Glycosylate reductase	3.00E-14	
SHM2-1	vitellogenin alpha (2)	in genbank	up-reg E2; EE2, DES, NP, MXC
SHM3	vitellogenin beta (1)	in genbank	
SHM	Ribosomal protein S8	8.00E-45	
SHM26	choriogenin 3		
SHM6	Unknown		
SHM7-3	choriogenin 2	1.00E-45	
SHM29	beta actin	in genbank	
SHM9-1	ribosomal protein L8		
SHM74-1	3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-CoA reductase	9.00E-51	dn-reg ES
SHM11	Transferrin		dn-reg E2; EE2, DES, NP, MXC
SHM13-1	Low molecular mass protein 2	2.00E-12	
SHM14	Unknown		
SHM22	Unknown		
SHM23-1	Ribosomal protein S9 like	6.00E-71	
SHM24	Unknown		
SHM25	Ribosomal protein S9 like	2.00E-45	

SHM39	Unknown		
SHM41	Ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme 9	EST match (putative)	up-reg NP
SHN42-1	Unknown		
SHM43	Unknown protein, Acession numberAAH10857	4.00E-23	
SHM48	Unknown		
SHM48-2	Unknown		
SHM51-3	Unknown		
SHM56-2	Unknown		
SHM62-2	Hepatic lipase precursor	7.00E-06	
SHM72-3	Coagulation Factor XI		up-reg E2; EE2, DES, NP, MXC
SHM73	Unknown		
SHM76-2	Alpha1-microglobulin/bikunin precursor (AMBP) protein	1.00E-11	d-reg E2; EE2, DES, NP, MXC
	Estrogen receptor alpha		up-reg E2; EE2, DES, NP, MXC, ES

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LMB_COMP FACTOR Bf/C2	Putative complement factor Bf/C2	1		SHM IK 7A	Liver	
						151
LMB_ABMP	ABMP precursor	2				
				SHM IK 24E	Liver	152
LMB_GLUT-PEROX III	Glutathione peroxidase III	3		SHM IK 25C	Liver	153
LMB_Smp D1	Small ribonucleoprotein D1 polypeptide (16kD)	4		SHM IK 5D	Liver	154
LMB_RIBO L6	Ribosomal protein L6	5		SHM IKIGF-1	Liver	155

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LMB_MYOSIN LIGHT	myosin regulatory light chain	6			
LMB_ZPC1	ZPC1	7	SHM IKIGF-2	Liver	156
LMB_CYTO-C OX 1	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit I	8	ndSHM-FT1-A03	Liver	157
	.		ndSHM-FT1-A09	Liver	158
LMB_LECTIN STL2	Rhamnose binding lectin STL2	9			
			ndSHM-FT1-A10	Liver	159

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LMB_EMAP2	Echinoderm microtubule associated protein like 2	10			
			ndSHM-FT1-A11	Liver	160
LMB_ALDOLASE-B	Aldolase b	11			
			ndSHM-FT1-A12	Liver	161
LMB_RIBO L7A	60S ribosomal protein L7A	12			
			ndSHM-FT1-B03	Liver	162

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LMB_PROTHROMBIN	Prothrombin precursor	13				
				ndSHM-FT1-B07	Liver	163
LMB_SSAT	SSAT	14				
				ndSHM-FT1-B10	Liver	164
LMB_COMPLEMENT-C3	Complement C3 precursor	15				
				ndSHM-FT1-C01	Liver	165

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LMB_RIBO L7	Ribosomal protein L7	16				
LMB_H-ATPASE- SUBUNIT	H+-ATPase subunit, oligaomycin sensitivity conferring protein	17		ndSHM-FT1-C03	Liver	166
LMB_RIBO L23A	Ribosomal protein L23a	18		ndSHM-FT1-C04	Liver	167
				ndSHM-FT1-C09	Liver	168
LMB_ALPHA-TUBULIN	alpha tubulin	19		ndSHM-FT1-D06	Liver	169

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LMB_RIBO-Sa	40S ribosomal protein Sa	20				
				ndSHM-FT1-D10	Liver	170
LMB_VTG	Vitellogenin precursor	21				
				ndSHM-FT1-D12	Liver	171
LMB_NASCENT-POLYPEP	Nascent polypeptide-associated complex, alpha polypeptide	22				
				ndSHM-FT1-E01	Liver	172
LMB_ApoH	Apolipoprotein H	23				
				ndSHM-FT1-E02	Liver	173

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LMB_TBT-BP	TBT-binding protein	24			
LMB_SOL-CAR-25A#5	solute carrier family 25 alpha member 5	25	ndSHM-FT1-E08	Liver	174
LMB_UNNAMED-PROTEIN	Unnamed protein product	26	ndSHM-FT1-E09	Liver	175
LMB_FIB-B-SUBUNIT	Fibrinogen B subunit	27	ndSHM-FT1-E12	Liver	176
LMB_CIS-RETIN DEHYDRO	cis-retinol dehydrogenase	28	ndSHM-FT1-F01	Liver	177
			ndSHM-FT1-F06	Liver	178

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LMB_SENES-ASSOC PROTEIN	Putative senescence- associated protein	29				
				ndSHM-FT1-F09	Liver	179
LMB_LDL RC	LDL receptor	30				
				ndSHM-FT1-F10	Liver	180
LMB_ABC-TRANS	ABC transporter	31				
				ndSHM-FT1-F11	Liver	181

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LMB_CATHEPSIN B	Cathepsin B	32				
				ndSHM-FT1-F12	Liver	182
LMB_SERPIN-CP9	Serpin CP9	33				
				ndSHM-FT1-G02	Liver	183
LMB_TFIIIA	Transcription factor IIIA (TFIIIA)	34				
				ndSHM-FT1-G04	Liver	184
LMB_ANTITHROMBIN III	Antithrombin III	35				
				ndSHM-FT1-G08	Liver	185

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LMB_RIKEN 1810056020	RIKEN cDNA 1810056020	36				
LMB_WEE-1	Wee 1 tyrosine kinase	37		ndSHM-FT1-H02	Liver	186
				ndSHM-FT1-H03	Liver	187
LMB_HAPTOGLOBIN	Haptoglobin	38		ndSHM-FT1-H04	Liver	188

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LMB_APOA-I	APOPLIPOPROTEI N A-I	39				
LMB_ALPHA-1 ANTITRYPSIN	alpha -1 antitrypsin homolog precursor	40		ndSHM-FT1-H06	Liver	189
				ndSHM-FT1-H07	Liver	190
LMB_APOE	Apolipoprotein E	41				
				ndSHM-FT1-H10	Liver	191

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LMB_ZPC4	ZPC4	42				
LMB_LECTIN 9	C-type lectin superfamily 9	43		ndSHM-FT1-H11	Liver	192
LMB_ATPASE 6	ATPase subunit 6	44		ndSHM-FT1-H12	Liver	193
LMB_ITI	inter-alpha-trypsin inhibitor "ITI"	45		ndSHM-MC1-A02	Liver	194
				ndSHM-MC1-A03	Liver	195

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LMB_EIF-3#7	Eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3 subunit 7	46			
			ndSHM-MC1-A04	Liver	196
LMB_HEPCIDIN	Hepcidin precursor	47			
			ndSHM-MC1-A05	Liver	197
LMB_PTPP	Pituitary tumor transforming protein	48			
			ndSHM-MC1-A07	Liver	198

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LMB_TOXIN-1	Toxin-1	49				
LMB_COAG FACTOR VII	Coagulation factor VII	50		ndSHM-MC1-A09	Liver	199
				ndSHM-MC1-A11	Liver	200
LMB_CDC42-2	cdc 42 isoform 2	51		ndSHM-MC1-B01	Liver	201

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LMB_WARM-WATER ACC PROTEIN	Warm water acclimation-related protein	52				
LMB_CYTO-C OX II	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit II	53		ndSHM-MC1-B03	Liver	202
LMB_L10A	60S ribosomal protein L10A	54		ndSHM-MC1-B04	Liver	203
LMB_KALLIKREIN	Kallikrein	55		ndSHM-MC1-B05	Liver	204
				ndSHM-MC1-B08	Liver	205

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LMB_DANIO EST 3818635	Danio EST IMAGE:3818635	56				
LMB_ALPHA-2- MACROGLOB-1	alpha-2- macroglobulin-1	57		ndSHM-MC1-B10	Liver	206
LMB_HAPTOGLOB RELATED PROT	Haptoglobin-related protein	58		ndSHM-MC1-B11	Liver	207
LMB_FILAMEN-B	Filamen B	59		ndSHM-MC1-C02	Liver	208
				ndSHM-MC1-C04	Liver	209

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LMB_UBIQUITIN	ubiquitin	60				
				ndSHM-MC1-C05	Liver	210
LMB_RXR INTERACT PROT	Retinoid X receptor interacting protein	61				
				ndSHM-MC1-C08	Liver	211
LMB_MITOCHON-ATP- SYNTHASE	ATP synthase alpha chain mitochondrial precursor	62				
				ndSHM-MC1-C10	Liver	212
LMB_TATA BOX BP	TATA-box binding protein	63				
				ndSHM-MC1-D01	Liver	213

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LMB_DIFF-REG TROUT PROT-1	Differentially regulated trout protein 1	64			
LMB_LIVER-REGEN- REL PROT	liver regeneration related protein	65	ndSHM-MC1-D02	Liver	214
LMB_SERPIN-2B	Serpin 2b	66	ndSHM-MC1-D03	Liver	215
LMB_APO-A1	Apolipoprotein A-I-1 precursor	67	ndSHM-MC1-D04	Liver	216
LMB_M-PHASE PROT 6	M-phase phosphoprotein 6	68	ndSHM-MC1-D06	Liver	217
LMB_PROSTAGLAND- D-SYNTHASE	Prostaglandin D synthase-like protein (lipocalin type)	69	ndSHM-MC1-D10	Liver	218
			ndSHM-MC1-E01	Liver	219

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				ndSHM-MC1-E05	Liver	220
LMB_CYSTATIN-PREC	Cystatin precursor	71				
				ndSHM-MC1-E06	Liver	221
LMB_RIKEN 2700038	RIKEN cDNA 2700038	72				
				ndSHM-MC1-E08	Liver	223
LMB_DIAZEPAM- BINDING INHIB	Membrane associated diazepam-binding inhibitor	73				
				ndSHM-MC1-E10	Liver	224
LMB_IGF-I	IGF-I	74				
				ndSHM-MC1-E12	Liver	225

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LMB_ESTP4_D11	ESTP4_D11	75				
				ndSHM-MC1-F01	Liver	226
LMB_ESTDHT_6	ESTDHT_6	76				
				ndSHM-MC1-F02	Liver	227
LMB_ESTDHT_7	ESTDHT_7	77				
				ndSHM-MC1-F03	Liver	228
LMB_ESTDHT_13	ESTDHT_13	78				
				ndSHM-MC1-F06	Liver	229
LMB_ESTDHT_50	ESTDHT_50	79				
				ndSHM-MC1-F11	Liver	230
LMB_ESTDHT_51	ESTDHT_51	80				
				ndSHM-MC1-F12	Liver	231

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LMB_ESTDHT_53	ESTDHT_53	81				
				ndSHM-MC1-G01	Liver	232
LMB_ESTDHT_60	ESTDHT_60	82				
				ndSHM-MC1-G02	Liver	233
LMB_ESTDHT_62	ESTDHT_62	83				
				ndSHM-MC1-G03	Liver	234
LMB_ESTDHT_68	ESTDHT_68	84				
				ndSHM-MC1-G04	Liver	235
LMB_ESTDHT_69	ESTDHT_69	85				
				ndSHM-MC1-G05	Liver	236

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LMB_ESTP4_A02	ESTP4_A02	86				
				ndSHM-MC1-G07	Liver	237
LMB_ESTP4_B03	ESTP4_B03	87				
				ndSHM-MC1-G11	Liver	238
LMB_ESTP4_B04	ESTP4_B04	88				
				ndSHM-MC1-G12	Liver	239
LMB_ESTP4_B07	ESTP4_B07	89				
				ndSHM-MC1-H02	Liver	240
LMB_ESTP4_B08	ESTP4_B08	90				
				ndSHM-MC1-H03	Liver	241

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LMB_ESTP4_B09	ESTP4_B09	91				
				ndSHM-MC1-H04	Liver	242
LMB_ESTP4_C03	ESTP4_C03	92				
				ndSHM-MC1-H06	Liver	243
LMB_ESTP4_C04	ESTP4_C04	93				
				ndSHM-MC1-H08	Liver	244
LMB_ESTP4_C06	ESTP4_C06	94				
				ndSHM-MC1-H09	Liver	245
LMB_ESTP4_D04	ESTP4_D04	95				
				ndSHM-MC1-H10	Liver	246

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LMB_ESTP4_D08	ESTP4_D08	96				
				ndSHM-MC1-H12	Liver	247
LMB_ESTP4_D10	ESTP4_D10	97				
				ndSHM-MT1-A02	Liver	248
LMB_ESTP4_E01	ESTP4_E01	98				
				ndSHM-MT1-A03	Liver	248
LMB_ESTP4_E03	ESTP4_E03	99				
				ndSHM-MT1-A05	Liver	249

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LMB_ESTP4_E06	ESTP4_E06	100				
				ndSHM-MT1-B09	Liver	250
LMB_ESTP4_E08	ESTP4_E08	101				
				ndSHM-MT1-C05	Liver	251
LMB_ESTP4_E12	ESTP4_E12	102				
				ndSHM-MT1-C08	Liver	252
LMB_ESTP4_F06	ESTP4_F06	103				
				ndSHM-MT1-D04	Liver	253

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LMB_ESTP4_G06	ESTP4_G06	104				
LMB_ESTP4_G11	ESTP4_G11	105		ndSHM-MT1-D05	Liver	254
LMB_ESTP4_H02	ESTP4_H02	106		ndSHM-MT1-D07	Liver	255
LMB_ESTP4_H04	ESTP4_H04	107		ndSHM-MT1-E02	Liver	256
LMB_ESTP4_H04	ESTP4_H04			ndSHM-MT1-E03	Liver	257
LMB_ESTP4_H05	ESTP4_H05	108				
				ndSHM-MT1-E05	Liver	258

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LMB_ESTP4_H07	ESTP4_H07	109			
LMB_ESTP4_H08	ESTP4_H08	110	ndSHM-MT1-F11	Liver	259
			ndSHM-MT1-G03	Liver	260
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_02	EST- SEASONAL_02	111	ndSHM-MT1-H05	Liver	261
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_03	EST- SEASONAL_03	112			
			ndSHM-MXCc1-A04	Liver	262

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LMB_EST- SEASONAL_04	EST- SEASONAL_04	113				
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_06	EST- SEASONAL_06	114		ndSHM-MXCc1-A09	Liver	263
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_09	EST- SEASONAL_09	115		ndSHM-MXCc1-A10	Liver	264
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_11	EST- SEASONAL_11	116		ndSHM-MXCc1-A11	Liver	265
				ndSHM-MXCc1-B02	Liver	266
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_12	EST- SEASONAL_12	117		ndSHM-MXCc1-B03	Liver	267

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LMB_EST-SEASONAL-14	EST-SEASONAL-14	118			
			ndSHM-MXCc1-B04	Liver	268
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_16	EST-SEASONAL_16	119			
			ndSHM-MXCc1-B06	Liver	269
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_17	EST-SEASONAL_17	120			
			ndSHM-MXCc1-B07	Liver	270
LMB_EST-SEASONAL_22	EST-SEASONAL_22	121			
			ndSHM-MXCc1-B08	Liver	271

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LMB_EST- SEASONAL_51	EST- SEASONAL_51	122				
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_52	EST- SEASONAL_52	123		ndSHM-MXCC1-C04	Liver	272
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_54	EST- SEASONAL_54	124		ndSHM-MXCC1-C06	Liver	273
				ndSHM-MXCC1-C11	Liver	274
LMB_EST- SEASONAL_55	EST- SEASONAL_55	125				
				ndSHM-MXCC1-D03	Liver	275

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LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_56	EST- SEASONAL_56	126				
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_58	EST- SEASONAL_58	127		ndSHM-MXCCc1-D04	Liver	276
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_59	EST- SEASONAL_59	128		ndSHM-MXCCc1-D05	Liver	277
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_61	EST- SEASONAL_61	129		ndSHM-MXCCc1-D08	Liver	278
				ndSHM-MXCCc1-D10	Liver	279

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LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_64	EST- SEASONAL_64	131		ndSHM-MXCc1-D12	Liver	280
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_68	EST- SEASONAL_68	132		ndSHM-MXCc1-E01	Liver	281
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_70	EST- SEASONAL_70	133		ndSHM-MXCc1-E09	Liver	282
				ndSHM-MXCc1-E11	Liver	283

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LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_72	EST- SEASONAL_72	135	ndSHM-MXCc1-F01	Liver	284
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_75	EST- SEASONAL_75	136	ndSHM-MXCc1-F03	Liver	285
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_77	EST- SEASONAL_77	137	ndSHM-MXCc1-F07	Liver	286
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_85	EST- SEASONAL_85	138	ndSHM-MXCc1-F10	Liver	287
			ndSHM-MXCc1-G02	Liver	288

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LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_90	EST- SEASONAL_90	140		ndSHM-MXCC1-G03	Liver	289
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_92	EST- SEASONAL_92	141		ndSHM-MXCC1-G04	Liver	290
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_97	EST- SEASONAL_97	142		ndSHM-MXCC1-G12	Liver	291
LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_F11	EST- SEASONAL_F11	143		ndSHM-MXCC1-H05	Liver	292
				ndSHM-MXCC1-H09	Liver	293

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LMB_EST-- SEASONAL_F21	EST- SEASONAL_F21	145		ndSHM-MXCt1-B05	Liver	294
				ndSHM-MXCt1-B08	Liver	295
LMB_ER-ALPHA	ESTROGEN RECEPTOR ALPHA	146				
				ndSHM-MXCt1-C02	Liver	296
LMB_ER-BETA	ESTROGEN RECEPTOR BETA	147				
				ndSHM-MXCt1-C11	Liver	297
LMB_ER-GAMMA	ESTROGEN RECEPTOR GAMMA	148				
				ndSHM-MXCt1-D09	Liver	298

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LMB_STAR	STAR PROTEIN	149				
LMB_SF1	SF1 PROTEIN FRAGMENT	150		ndSHM-MXCt1-E04	Liver	299
				ndSHM-MXCt1-E06	Liver	300
LMB1-3		420		ndSHM-MXCt1-E09	Liver	301
LMB2-2		421		ndSHM-MXCt1-F11	Liver	302
		422				
LMB3-1				ndSHM-MXCt1-E12	Liver	303
		423				
LMB4-1				ndSHM-MXCt1-G03	Liver	304
		424				
LMB5				ndSHM-MXCt1-H03	Liver	305

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LMB6-1		426	ndSHM-NPc1-A12	Liver	306
LMB7-1		427	ndSHM-NPc1-B01	Liver	307
LMB8-2		428	ndSHM-NPc1-B08	Liver	308
LMB9-1		429	ndSHM-NPc1-B09	Liver	309
LMB10-1			ndSHM-NPc1-C04	Liver	310

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LMB12-1		432		ndSHM-NPc1-C11	Liver	312
LMB13-2		433		ndSHM-NPc1-E01	Liver	313
LMB14-1		434		ndSHM-NPc1-E06	Liver	314
LMB15-1				ndSHM-NPc1-E11	Liver	315

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LMB17-2		437		ndSHM-NPc1-F05	Liver	316
LMB18-3		438		ndSHM-NPc1-F06	Liver	318
LMB19-1		439		ndSHM-NPc1-F07	Liver	319
LMB20-1				ndSHM-NPc1-F08	Liver	320

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LMB22-1		442		ndSHM-NPc1-G08	Liver	322
LMB23-1		443		ndSHM-NPc1-G11	Liver	323
LMB24-1		444		ndSHM-NPc1-H01	Liver	324
LMB25-1				ndSHM-NPc1-H02	Liver	325

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LMB26-1		446		ndSHM-NPc1-H03	Liver	326
LMB27-1		447		ndSHM-NPc1-H04	Liver	327
LMB28-2		448		ndSHM-NPc1-H05	Liver	328
LMB29-2				ndSHM-NPc1-H08	Liver	329
LMB30-1/Forward		449 450				
LMB30-1/Reverse				ndSHM-NPt1-A01	Liver	330

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LMB31		452		ndSHM-NPt1-A02	Liver	331
LMB32-1				ndSHM-NPt1-A03	Liver	332
LMB33-1/A LMB33-1/B		453 454		ndSHM-NPt1-A04	Liver	333
		455				
LMB34-1		456		ndSHM-NPt1-A05	Liver	334
LMB35-1				ndSHM-NPt1-A08	Liver	335

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LMB37-1/A		458				
LMB37-1/B		459		ndSHM-NPt1-B02	Liver	337
		460				
LMB38-1				ndSHM-NPt1-B03	Liver	338
		461				
LMB39-1				ndSHM-NPt1-B05	Liver	339
		462				
LMB40-1				ndSHM-NPt1-B06	Liver	340

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LMB42-1		465		ndSHM-NPt1-B11	Liver	342
LMB43-1		466		ndSHM-NPt1-B12	Liver	343
LMB44-1				ndSHM-NPt1-C01	Liver	344
LMB45-1/Forward		467				
LMB45-1/Reverse		468		ndSHM-NPt1-C03	Liver	345

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LMB46-1		470	ndSHM-NPt1-C05	Liver	346
LMB47-2		471	ndSHM-NPt1-C06	Liver	347
LMB48-1		472	ndSHM-NPt1-C09	Liver	348
LMB49-1		473	ndSHM-NPt1-C12	Liver	349
LMB50-1			ndSHM-NPt1-D04	Liver	350

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LMB51-1		475		ndSHM-NPt1-D05	Liver	351
LMB52-1		476		ndSHM-NPt1-D07	Liver	352
LMB53-1		477		ndSHM-NPt1-D07	Liver	353
LMB54-2		478		ndSHM-NPt1-D09	Liver	354
LMB55-1				ndSHM-NPt1-D11	Liver	355

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LMB56-1		480		ndSHM-NPt1-E02	Liver	356
LMB57		481		ndSHM-NPt1-E03	Liver	357
LMB58-1		482		ndSHM-NPt1-E06	Liver	358
LMB59-1		483		ndSHM-NPt1-E07	Liver	359
LMB60-1				ndSHM-NPt1-E12	Liver	360

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LMB61-1		485		ndSHM-NPt1-F01	Liver	361
LMB63-1		486		ndSHM-NPt1-F05	Liver	362
LMB64-1		487		ndSHM-NPt1-F07	Liver	363
LMB65-1		488		ndSHM-NPt1-F11	Liver	364
LMB66-1				ndSHM-NPt1-G03	Liver	365

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LMB67-1		490		ndSHM-NPt1-G07	Liver	366
LMB68-1		491		ndSHM-NPt1-G08	Liver	367
LMB69-2		492		ndSHM-NPt1-G11	Liver	368
LMB70-2		493		ndSHM-NPt1-G12	Liver	369
LMB71-1				ndSHM-NPt1-H03	Liver	370

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LMB72-1		495		ndSHM-NPt1-H04	Liver	371
LMB73-1		496		ndSHM-NPt1-H11	Liver	372
LMB74-3		497		SHM-D03	Liver	373
LMB75-1		498		SHM-D02	Liver	374
LMB76-2				SHM-B02	Liver	375

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LMB77-1		500		SHM-B07	Liver	376
LMB78-1		501		SHM-B06	Liver	377
LMB79-2		502		SHM-B12	Liver	378
LMB80-1		503		SHM-C03	Liver	379
LMB81-1				SHM-C07	Liver	380

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		504			
LMB82-1		505	SHM-E04	Liver	381
LMB83		506	SHM-D06	Liver	382
LMB84-1		507	SHM-E01	Liver	383
LMB85-1		508	SHM-E07	Liver	384
LMB86-1			SHM-A06	Liver	385

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Other Embodiments

It is to be understood that while the invention has been described in conjunction with the detailed description thereof, the foregoing description is intended to illustrate and not limit the scope of the invention, which is defined by the scope of the appended
5 claims. Other aspects, advantages, and modifications are within the scope of the following claims.

What is claimed is: